



One of the exciting realities of the Word Of GOD that we need to take a hold of, is the reality that GOD's Word actually contains the seed of HIS faith. This book is an attempt to introduce the framework for the realization and actualization of the potentials of GOD's faith that is inherent to the revealed Word that is to be written as Covenant into living tablets of human hearts of flesh in fulfillment of the Law and the Prophets.

It is in the actuality of GOD's faith, that the Word Of HIS Grace is proclaimed in Acts 20:32 as being able to build us up and give us an inheritance in the saints. It is the faith of GOD that enables us to realize prophetic fulfillment through the Testimony Of JESUS. The Testimony Of JESUS is the exclusive spiritual conduit for the faith of GOD to mankind.

It is the faith of GOD that facilitates the entire process of salvation. The faith of GOD unveils us each as a new creation in CHRIST JESUS, as we are each uniquely expressed - in the actual substance of GOD's faith - as the workmanship of GOD. In understanding the faith of GOD we will come to have the conviction of an unshakeable confidence in GOD, so that nothing will be impossible to us!

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INTRODUCTION

From the time I was born again I have had the conviction that we must learn how to live by GOD. I believe that this conviction - which has grown steadily over the years - is a GOD given conviction in my heart and mind.

CHRIST JESUS (MASHIAH YESHUA) has been given to us as an inheritance and a possession (see Ezekiel 44:28; John 1:16-17, NASB+KJV+NKJV) so that we can realize and actualize the reality of living by GOD from HIM-in our inward parts.

The reality of actually living by GOD is entirely manifested in what is prophetically addressed as the fullness of CHRIST JESUS (see John 1:16-17, NASB+KJV+NKJV)!

The HOLY SPIRIT has been given to us, so that we can actualize this reality of living by GOD through the fullness of CHRIST JESUS being unveiled into us, in fully functional terms (see John 16:13-15 and Romans 8:2).

I first saw the term "the faith of GOD" from the marginal reading of Mark 11:22 in the KJV many years ago. At that time, I simply dismissed it as an awesome thought which was one of those things in Scripture that was beyond my understanding and quite impractical to attain - at least in this age!

But as I began to see "faith" teachings that started developing the carnal desires of man in the Church, I began to discern that perhaps there was something fundamental missing in our understanding of faith.

We simply talked about having faith in GOD and we seemed to be saying that we were free to pursue anything that appealed to us under the banner of having faith in GOD. And, since faith in GOD led to our justification, we the Church seemed to be moving towards being able - in sub-conscious and unconscious terms - to justify anything we wanted through "faith"!

To me so much of our faith teaching seemed to be opening to the Body a reality that was quite simply presumption. Were we serving GOD or was our "understanding" of faith inadvertently "making" GOD serve our whims and fancies!

The faith of GOD gives definition to faith in the context of the Nature and Character and Status of GOD, and most importantly, in the context of HIS Sovereign Will. While we can manipulate a principle in any way we want. **The manipulation of GOD is quite simply impossible!**

Now this is why Lucifer decided that his faith would *necessarily* have to unfold himself as "god" for him to do what he wanted! This is also why occult faiths or new age philosophies always proclaim man as god - either overtly or covertly!

The faith of GOD cannot be manipulated because it is necessarily based on the reality that GOD is inherently by Nature, Character and Reality always GOD - "I AM WHO I AM" and "I AM THAT I AM"! HE will always be WHO HE IS and ALL THAT HE IS. HE will always be inherently Self-Sufficient, All-Sufficient and Absolutely Supreme!

And, the Testament Of GOD will always define true faith in the context of HIS supreme status as GOD MOST HIGH and GOD ALMIGHTY - the Immutable, Eternal, Omnipresent, Omniscient and Omnipotent, GOD - WHO ALONE gives credence to all realities in the abiding.

And, that includes the spiritual reality addressed as faith!

The faith *of* GOD - when actualized in our inward parts - reveals GOD in HIS pre-eminence in our heart and mind and in every form of our thoughts, attitudes, intents, desires and imaginations. The realities that unveil in HIS faith become the basis and express the *form* and *substance* of our faith *in* HIM.

HIS pre-eminence is absolutely necessary for our faith in HIM to be *true* faith! HIS pre-eminence is absolutely necessary for the proper function of the human heart and human mind - through faith in HIM! Our faith in

HIM is entirely framed as a living response to HIS faith given expression to by HIS Word.

HIS pre-eminence is absolutely necessary for the rightful exercise of our own free will! HIS pre-eminence is absolutely necessary for us each to be blessed, so that we in turn can be revealed as a growing blessing in GOD's creation.

The faith of GOD is an important subject that we all need to understand, and ask the HOLY SPIRIT to develop in us, in the fullness of CHRIST JESUS that gives true expression to the substance of our faith.

The faith of GOD underlies the prophetic reality addressed as the Mystery Of Faith in 1 Timothy 3:9. As noted in Deuteronomy 29:29, the secret things - the Mysteries Of GOD in Truth - belong to GOD. Hence, it is in the faith of GOD, that the Mystery Of Faith is designed to be revealed and developed in us - in a clear conscience manifested in the substance prophetically described as the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

It is in the faith of GOD, that the Mystery Of Faith is designed to be revealed and developed in us so that our faith in HIM will be of the right substance.

It is the fullness of CHRIST JESUS that is the spiritual conduit for the substance (Greek: hupostasis) that is of GOD's faith.

This is why CHRIST JESUS declared that truth is exclusive to HIS "I AM" - which is the "I AM" of GOD expressed to us (see John 17:6a, 26) by the HOLY SPIRIT (see John 16:14, 13-15) through actual communication of the fullness of CHRIST JESUS (see John 1:16-17, KJV+NKJV+NASB)!

A correct understanding of the faith of GOD will transform the Church in terms of our understanding and application of the Word Of GOD.

There is so much to look forward to in the faith of GOD that we are invited to **"have"** by the LORD JESUS CHRIST HIMSELF (see Youngs Literal Translation of the Bible - Mark 11:22)!

It is **CHRIST JESUS'** idea that we should *have* the faith *of* GOD. It is **HIS** idea that we can actually have the faith of GOD!

This book is about how this can happen in practical terms in all of us who are willing to pursue the reality of GOD's faith - by the HOLY SPIRIT.

This is a reality that unveils in human hearts of flesh (see 2 Corinthians 3:3, NKJV; Hebrews 10:15-16). Hearts of flesh manifested in the fullness of CHRIST JESUS, in HIS flesh (see Ezekiel 36:26; John 6:51,53; 2 Corinthians 3:3, NKJV+NASB).

There is an awesome potential that derives entirely and exclusively from GOD, awaiting each one of us.

So, be blessed brethren and be a blessing in the faith of GOD that is designed to unveil you in the GOD ordained reality that you are fearfully wonderfully made! This is the prophetic reality - in HIS faith (and love) - that declares that HE has known us from before our unformed substance in the vastness of HIS thoughts (see Psalm 139:14-17)!

In HIM through HIS faith for us all,

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INTRODUCING THE FAITH OF GOD

Mark 11:22 (extracted from Youngs Literal Translation) reads: < **And JESUS answering saith to them, "Have faith of GOD."** >

Some study editions of the KJV have on margin the literal translation as being <"**Have the faith *of* GOD.**">

The literal translation poses exciting possibilities to us as children of GOD. Can we actually have the faith of GOD? **If so, how?** This is what this book will address.

Revelation 21:11 describes the Bride as actually, < "***Having the glory of GOD***"! >

How do we have the glory of GOD?

Given that faith is the "**substance**" (Greek: "**hupostasis**") of hope, as noted in Hebrews 11:1 (KJV/NKJV), is the Bride of the LAMB ***having*** the glory of GOD, actually tied to the "substance" of GOD's own hope (Romans 8:20, 19-21) - which is HIS faith - being ***perfected*** and ***completed into*** the Bride, so as to give actual expression - in "substance" - to the glory of HIS grace?

Is the substance of GOD's faith the medium for the communication of (the **glory** of) HIS grace (see Ephesians 1:6, 3-6; 2:8,10)?

Is the "substance" of GOD's faith being perfected and completed into the Bride, the **outworking** of the evidence of GOD's own hope for the revealing of HIS own sons (see Romans 8:19-21,24a, NKJV) - in the **glory** of HIS grace?

As we shall discover, Scripture actually proclaims "yes" and "Amen" to all of these questions! And this "yes" and "Amen" is **entirely configured in CHRIST JESUS** - **by the HOLY SPIRIT, according to the FATHER's will.**

This entire configuration of "yes" and "Amen" in CHRIST JESUS is to be manifested in hearts **of** flesh that are of the fullness of CHRIST JESUS (see John 1:16-17, NASB+NKJV+KJV; Ezekiel 36:26; John 6:51,53; 2 Corinthians 3:3, NKJV+NASB). This heart of flesh is of the substance of the fullness of CHRIST JESUS. This heart of flesh is meant to become our - **pure** - heart!

In this chapter, we shall talk of how the faith of GOD is communicated into us **in** CHRIST JESUS, **by** the HOLY SPIRIT, **according to** the FATHER's will.

There is indeed an awesome (and necessary) intent and design to GOD's faith for each and every one of us! Praise the LORD!

The intent and design of GOD's faith is **framed** in Scripture and is **exclusively communicated to us in CHRIST JESUS**. GOD's faith has an awesome design and purpose to it. And, GOD's faith is entirely communicated **to us** through the Testimony Of JESUS.

The Scripture has the intent of communicating an awesome reality of GOD's faith that will actually result in us **becoming** sons of GOD in **fully functional terms**.

The Scripture is GOD-breathed and carries the intents of GOD's faith **and will** for each one of us. GOD's faith is communicated to us through

the fullness of JESUS CHRIST. Ephesians 1:23 instructs us that CHRIST JESUS' fullness is to fill ***all-in-all***.

GOD's faith is channeled - into actual functional realities - through the fullness of CHRIST JESUS filling all-in-all! And, this realization in our inward parts reveals the Mystery of GOD's Will!

It is the fullness of JESUS CHRIST that gives ***true*** communication to the "I AM" of GOD to us (see John 17:6a,26; 1:16-17, NASB+NKJV+KJV and 1:18, NASB). It is the Testimony of JESUS that gives ***true*** expression to all that ***derives from*** the "I AM" of GOD to us.

GOD's faith is therefore ***necessarily*** channeled (and configured) into our being - in functional terms - through the fullness of CHRIST JESUS.

The ***substance*** of GOD's faith is channeled into us through the fullness of CHRIST JESUS. And, this must be so because JESUS CHRIST is ***the*** Bread of Life.

And, as the substance of HIS fullness, that is the Bread Of Life, is worked into us, JESUS CHRIST ***actually becomes*** to each of us ***the*** Way, ***the*** Truth and ***the*** Life.

JESUS CHRIST is the ***true*** Vine and we are in fully functional terms ***HIS*** branches. This reality of being ***HIS branch*** is a fully functional prophetic reality designed through substance communicated into us by the HOLY SPIRIT (see John 16:14,13-15) in the FATHER's will. ***The substance that makes us HIS branch is entirely of the fullness of CHRIST JESUS!***

In Ezekiel 44:28, GOD astonishingly declares: < ... **I AM their inheritance I AM their possession!** >

The realities of the "I AM" of GOD (and the realities of all that derive from the "I AM" of GOD) are communicated into us - in ***fully derivative*** and ***subordinate*** terms - by ***substance*** that is ***of*** the actual fullness of CHRIST JESUS (MASHIAH YESHUA).

It is the fullness of JESUS CHRIST that is to become our inheritance and possession. And, this entire inheritance and possession is described in *substance*. This substance is meant to take form in our inward parts as a Covenant Inheritance and Possession of all that the faith of GOD has ordained for us in CHRIST JESUS.

The faith of GOD is what *enables* and *facilitates* this communication in substance.

Because GOD has the intent of revealing HIMSELF as *our* inheritance and possession - *through* substance manifested through the fullness of CHRIST JESUS - the possibilities in Christian life and ministry are potentially limitless!

And, the potential for the limitless comes about through the revelation of CHRIST JESUS and HIS Fullness - by substance - *into* our inward parts (see John 17:6a,26; 1:16-17, NASB+NKJV+KJV and 1:18, NASB).

It is no wonder therefore that the full counsel of GOD's Word - in the Witness of GOD's faith over us - declares that we are each *fearfully* and *wonderfully* made.

And, this reality of being fearfully and wonderfully made comes about as we are each actually fashioned in the *image* and *fullness* of CHRIST JESUS (see Romans 8:29 and John 1:16, NASB+NKJV+KJV). CHRIST JESUS is the blueprint for the sons of GOD to be revealed - through substance communicated - in the glory of the FATHER's grace (see Revelation 21:9-11)!

CHRIST JESUS' fullness is being configured into us in GOD's faith and purpose for us each! This is the work and ministry of the HOLY SPIRIT as noted in John 16:14,13-15.

And, potentially all that the FATHER has for us is *in* CHRIST JESUS, is brought to us *by* the HOLY SPIRIT, in fully functional terms! Romans 8:2 addresses this reality as the Law Of Life, by the HOLY SPIRIT *in* CHRIST JESUS!

And so, the reality of being fearfully and wonderfully made is entirely and exclusively an expression of GOD's faith (and love) for us (see Psalms 139:14,13-18) channeled into us through JESUS CHRIST, in HIS Fullness - by the HOLY SPIRIT!

We are the FATHER's sons being created in the image and fullness of the SON (see Romans 8:29-30; John 1:16-17, KJV/NKJV/NASB and Ephesians 2:10).

And, this new creation is the workmanship of GOD fashioned out of the substance of HIS faith manifested to us in CHRIST JESUS (in the substance of HIS Fullness), by the HOLY SPIRIT!

This short book is written to explain the fact that the Scriptures speak clearly that we all have the astonishing potentials of realizing and expressing realities - in CHRIST JESUS - that derive from the actual faith of GOD for us.

We are called to discover and express all that derives from GOD's faith over our lives - in thought, word and deed!

In the actuality of GOD's faith, we come forth as a new creation in conformance to CHRIST JESUS.

GOD's faith brings us into fully functional conformance with CHRIST JESUS! The HOLY SPIRIT ensures this creative configuration of us each - in the FATHER's Sovereign will and design of us, in the image and fullness of the SON!

GOD has expressed HIS abiding hope for us (see Romans 8:19-21,24a, NKJV) through HIS Word. The substance of HIS hope is the blueprint of true faith. The channel for the expression of the true faith of GOD is JESUS CHRIST, WHO is prophetically addressed (in Hebrews 12:2a) as the Author and Finisher of our faith!

GOD reveals HIS Word and the contents of HIS Word to us in CHRIST JESUS, WHO is designated in the faith of GOD to be to us the Way, the Truth and the Life!

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GOD's Word and the contents of GOD's Word come to us in the Spirit and Life of JESUS CHRIST. And, the Spirit and Life of CHRIST JESUS will give actual definition to the Way, the Truth and the Life to us each.

And this reality - described as the Way, the Truth and the Life - will be fully functional, enabling us to ultimately become actual, ***functioning*** sons of GOD!

The Way, the Truth and the Life is prophetically the functioning conduit of GOD's holy faith.

The substance of GOD's hope is HIS faith. HIS faith is the spiritual driving force for the fulfillment of the prophetic content of Scripture.

The substance of GOD's hope is expressed ***in*** and ***through*** JESUS CHRIST for each and every one of us. Salvation is the fundamental expression of the substance of GOD's hope for us in CHRIST JESUS.

JESUS CHRIST - the Way, the Truth and the Life - is the conduit of GOD's faith for a new man and a new creation (see Colossians 1:19-20).

The substance of GOD's hope is what GOD's Word actually ***contains***. And, this ***substance*** is an expression of HIS true faith and love towards us.

Psalms 138:2 (NASB) describes this realm of the Word as the Word that stands according to all of the Name of GOD. The Word that stands according to WHO GOD IS and ALL THAT GOD IS. This is the Word that communicates GOD's perfect will. This is the Word that communicates the Mystery of GOD's will.

As John 17:6a proclaims, JESUS CHRIST came to manifest the "I AM" Name of GOD! John 17:26 declares that the LORD JESUS means to do this in an abiding continuity from ***within us***! And this happens ***by*** the HOLY SPIRIT (see John 16:14).

The substance of GOD's hope - which is GOD's faith - is entirely of JESUS CHRIST (see Colossians 1:19)! For GOD so loved the world that HE gave HIS only begotten SON! How? Essentially by substance communicated into a new man!

This is why JESUS declared: < **I AM the Bread Of Life!** > The substance of "I AM" and all that derives from "I AM" is manifested as the Bread of Life through JESUS CHRIST. The Bread Of Life is the substance of the fullness of CHRIST JESUS (see John 1:16-17, NASB+KJV+NKJV).

GOD's faith is entirely channeled through JESUS CHRIST. And, this is so in order that all things on earth and in heaven will be reconciled unto GOD through HIM!

Colossians 1:19-20 describes this with awesome clarity: < **For it was the FATHER's good pleasure for all the fullness to dwell in HIM (JESUS CHRIST), and through HIM (JESUS CHRIST) to reconcile all things to HIMSELF, having made peace through the Blood of HIS Cross; through HIM (JESUS CHRIST), I say, whether things on earth or things in heaven.** >

GOD's Word is designed to communicate HIS faith into us by substance, that we in turn can exercise in an unshakeable confidence and conviction of true faith in GOD! True faith is in effect GOD's provision!

GOD's faith is designed to create us in the image and fullness of CHRIST JESUS. This new creation will manifest the evidence that we are each fearfully and wonderfully made. This evidence will come from the substance of GOD's faith formed into us in the fullness of CHRIST JESUS.

And, it is GOD's intent that all that derives from HIS faith, becomes a functional Covenant inheritance and possession from our inward parts, through our conformance to JESUS CHRIST creatively.

As Ephesians 2:10 declares, we are the workmanship of GOD created in CHRIST JESUS! This creative faith communication is achieved through

the seed of GOD's Word - which actually ***contains*** GOD's faith - being developed ***in*** us (and ***into*** us) by the HOLY SPIRIT.

The seed of HIS Word that contains HIS faith has the potential of being fully revealed in us ***in CHRIST JESUS!*** This creative revelation, in GOD's will, is fully conformed to CHRIST JESUS being revealed in us through the substance of GOD's faith - which is entirely expressed as the fullness of CHRIST JESUS. This is why the fullness of CHRIST JESUS is designed in GOD's will to fill all-in-all (see Eph 1:23).

GOD's Word is the seed of HIS faith. This seed of faith that is GOD's Word is revealed and communicated in CHRIST JESUS!

And ***in*** the seed of GOD's faith, there is a new creation waiting to be revealed - in us and among us - through GOD's Word (see 2 Corinthians 5:17, 1 John 5:10a and Revelation 3:14b) being worked into us in the Spirit and Life of CHRIST JESUS, by the HOLY SPIRIT.

There are realities in GOD's faith and love contained in GOD's Word, that are meant to be perfected and completed into us. The contents of GOD's Word are to be perfected and completed into us in the ***image*** and ***fullness*** of CHRIST JESUS!

The realities of GOD's faith and love are ***perfected*** and ***completed*** into us through the Spirit and Life of CHRIST JESUS.

The Spirit and Life of CHRIST JESUS - tried and tested through the Cross - gives true expression ***to GOD's faith and love towards us!***

For GOD so loved the world that HE gave HIS only Begotten SON that whosoever should believe in HIM will have eternal life. This eternal life opens in a new creation fashioned in the image and fullness of the SON. And, this is a living expression of GOD's faith and love for us!

The end result is a new creation fashioned in the image and fullness of the SON and this comes out of GOD's faith! This new creation functions entirely by faith in HIM!

But this faith in HIM, we realized from HIM - through the faith contents of HIS Word worked into us in the Spirit and Life of JESUS CHRIST. As Hebrews 12:2a explains, JESUS CHRIST functions as the Author and Finisher of our faith!

We have faith in GOD for what GOD has ordained for us in HIS Word, in HIS faith.

Given that the Word is GOD's Word! Scripture proclaims that faith comes by hearing by the "Rhema" (or, the "quickened") Word Of GOD (see Romans 10:17, KJV/NKJV).

This faith that comes by hearing, is of HIS faith, simply because it is faith released from and through HIS Rhema Word that gives true expression to HIS faith and love for us!

This faith is substance - from HIM - that is fully communicable into our inward parts, as we set our hope on HIM (through JESUS CHRIST).

Our hope on HIM is our own free will response to HIM through the understanding and acceptance of HIS Word! Please be reminded that this understanding and acceptance of HIS Word comes to us through the Testimony Of JESUS vis a vis the finished work of the Cross.

And, our hope on HIM (JESUS CHRIST) is the necessary ingredient for the communication of HIS faith through the seed of HIS Word - into us!

So we become recipients of the faith of GOD through HIS Word quickened to our hearts. HIS quickened Word has the potential of being perfected and completed into our inward parts through "substance" (Greek: "hupostasis").

We realize (or, actualize) the contents of HIS Word - in substance - as we exercise our faith in HIM (through JESUS CHRIST), in the measure of the faith already resident within us (see Romans 12:3c).

[In Chapter 5, we strongly advocate the use of tongues - as a spiritual tool - to facilitate the realities of the Mystery Of Faith into our inward parts.]

The seed of the Word has the potential to germinate and grow in our hearts (see Mark 4:26-28, 20-28), in growth measures of 30-fold, 60-fold and 100-fold measures, expressing abiding growth realities that are beyond human conception and human technology.

The Scriptures declare that the Word is written into our hearts by the Finger Of GOD. And, this is the work and ministry of the HOLY SPIRIT.

The Scripture also says that the substance of our hearts - upon which the Word is written or **into which the contents of the Word is formed** - is also entirely of GOD.

In this reality our hearts become **the exclusive work of GOD!** This prophetic sequence of thought is described through Exodus 31:18; 32:15-16 and, 2 Corinthians 3:3, (NKJV+NASB).

[In these passages of Scripture originating from the Old Testament we see that what was prophetically symbolized in the Old Testament - through Moses - under the Law, is brought to actual personal fulfillment in each of our own hearts.

And, this makes us each a peculiar Letter (NASB) of CHRIST or a peculiar Epistle (NKJV) of CHRIST.

And, this is the exclusive expression of GOD's faith and love for us! And, this is the reality that actualizes the fulfillment of the Law and the Prophets.]

GOD makes Covenant with us through the tablets of our heart! And, this Covenant is a consequence of the seed of HIS Word being planted into our hearts and being caused to grow in maturity **into actual Covenant** - by substance formed into the tablets of our heart.

The Covenant is formed through substance that describes Covenant realities that GOD has brought into us through the substance of HIS faith. These Covenant realities are communicated in substance through the Spirit and Life of JESUS CHRIST!

The Word written into our heart becomes a Covenant fashioned out of the substance of GOD's faith and, in this reality we all become ministers of the New Covenant (see 2 Corinthians 3:6, 3-6, NKJV and Jeremiah 31:31-34).

The substance of GOD's faith results in a heart of flesh (see 2 Corinthians 3:3, NKJV; Ezekiel 36:26).

JESUS CHRIST is the WORD WHO became flesh (see John 1:14).

Through the Testimony Of JESUS - prophetically addressed as "MY Words" or "HIS Words" (see John 6:63 and John 17:8a; see also Luke 21:33) - GOD's Word, containing GOD's faith, becomes flesh in us.

GOD's Word becomes flesh in us **through the Testimony Of JESUS!**

And this flesh is a construct in the Spirit and Life of JESUS CHRIST through the substance of **HIS** faith and love for us (see 1 Timothy 1:14)!

HIS Words take actual ***functional*** form in us! This happens through substance communicated through the Spirit and Life of CHRIST JESUS, being perfected and completed into our inward parts by the HOLY SPIRIT as we live the Word.

The Spirit and Life of JESUS CHRIST are the conduits of GOD's Word in Truth.

The Spirit and Life of JESUS CHRIST give actual expression to the Testimony Of JESUS!

The Testimony of JESUS - comprising "HIS Words" - communicated in HIS Spirit and HIS Life, enable GOD's Word to form in us in a heart of flesh (see Ezekiel 36:26, 25-27) that is of the substance of the Master's fullness.

This heart of flesh is therefore of the Master's flesh (see John 6:51).

We become unique Letters or Epistles of CHRIST through hearts of flesh fashioned into us *from* "HIS Words". This is a creative construct communicated in substance!

These Epistles or Letters are unique expressions of GOD's faith brought into us.

We can actually function as Epistles of CHRIST and when we do this we are functioning in the faith of GOD communicated into us in JESUS Name!

The heart of flesh - that makes us actual, functioning Epistles of CHRIST - is the communicated reality of GOD's faith (and love) brought into us through the Testimony Of JESUS!

[See the connection between John 1:14 and John 17:26c. And this happens through a heart of flesh. See also the connection between Ezekiel 36:26 and 2 Corinthians 3:3 (NKJV). We must *eat* of the Words that give expression to HIS "I AM" Testimony (see Jeremiah 15:16 and John 6:51).

These "I AM" Words the FATHER gave JESUS (see John 17:8a,7a,6a) in order that a Covenant of HIS faith would be formed in us in hearts of flesh realized (or, actualized) out of the Testimony Of JESUS.

To eat the Word Of GOD we must hear, understand (Matthew 13:23), accept (Mark 4:20) and, hold fast the Word in good and honest hearts; and, bear fruit with the Word in our living and our doing (Luke 8:15).]

The substance of this heart of flesh is of GOD's faith communicated into us through CHRIST JESUS. And, this heart of flesh is the Testimony Of JESUS actualized in our inward parts! This reality is engineered in the ministry of the HOLY SPIRIT!

The Testimony Of JESUS actualized is entirely an expression of the faith (and love) of GOD actualized!

The substance of this heart of flesh is *entirely of* the fullness of CHRIST JESUS (see John 1:16-17, NASB/NKJV/KJV).

This heart of flesh comes about in the reality that CHRIST JESUS is:

- the Author and Finisher of our faith (see Hebrews 12:2a),
- the Apostle and High Priest of our confession (see Hebrews 3:1),
- the Mediator of the New Covenant (see Hebrews 9:15,13-15),
- the Intercessor, WHO ever lives to intercede for us (see Hebrews 7:25b).

The HOLY SPIRIT engineers this covenant construct into being in us and amongst us so that we increasingly become functioning sons before GOD (see John 16:13-15; Hebrews 10:15-17; 8:8-13).

And, this new **creation** finds expression in us, in the faith of GOD over our lives! AMEN (see Revelation 3:14b and Ephesians 2:10)! This new creation is in the substance of HIS faith (and love)! AMEN!

The substance of GOD's faith (and love) is exclusively communicated in CHRIST JESUS - in HIS fullness. CHRIST JESUS' fullness is of the substance of the "I AM" of GOD - in fully subordinate terms - that gives true communication to the faith and love of GOD! AMEN!

Hence we can do **all things** through CHRIST WHO strengthens us! AMEN! In the faith and love of GOD we are blessed with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places - in CHRIST JESUS (see Ephesians 1:3-6)! AMEN!



UNDERSTANDING

THE FAITH OF GOD

Proverbs 9:10b reads: < **the knowledge of the HOLY ONE is understanding.** > And Hebrews 11:3a, instructs us that we **understand by faith!**

Putting these verses together we see that understanding by the faith *of* the HOLY ONE, is what enables us to *have* the knowledge of the HOLY ONE! And, this knowledge communication is entirely made through *substance*.

We *have* the knowledge of the HOLY ONE through *substance* communicated into our inward parts! This substance is *of* HIS fullness!

In fact Isaiah 53:11b, tells us that by **HIS knowledge** the RIGHTEOUS ONE will justify the many! **HIS knowledge** that justifies - "the many" - comes through the actual communication of **HIS** faith.

Galatians 2:16 (KJV) reads: < **Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the Law, but by the faith *of* JESUS CHRIST, even we have believed *in* JESUS CHRIST, that we might be justified by the faith *of* CHRIST, and not by the works of the Law: for by the works of the Law shall no flesh be justified.** >

HIS knowledge is communicated through the **substance of HIS faith!** And, the reality of justification comes through the substance of HIS fullness actualized (from HIM) through HIS faith!

The substance of HIS faith brings into us a new knowledge form that is exclusively and entirely *of* GOD! See Deuteronomy 29:29 and Mark 4:22!

And, as HIS faith is perfected and completed into us, we actualize an understanding that knows the HOLY ONE through actual substance possessed in our hearts of flesh!

The RIGHTEOUS ONE mentioned in Isaiah 53:11b - WHO is the MESSIAH - is in Jeremiah 23:5-6 called "the LORD our Righteousness" - "YHWH-TSIDKENU" or "YAHWEH-TSIDKENU"!

So, the faith of GOD - WHO is by Name called YHWH (YAHWEH) - is communicated through the HOLY ONE, the MESSIAH, JESUS CHRIST (YESHUA MASHIAH), through substance!

This communication is an expression of GOD's righteousness!

So, the righteousness of GOD finds expression in us through the substance of MASHIAH YESHUA's fullness.

This communication through MASHIAH YESHUA is an "**I AM**" communication! It is the communication of the faith of GOD through CHRIST JESUS.

The communication of the faith of GOD through CHRIST JESUS - by substance - is also *necessarily* fully subject to GOD and HIS Sovereign purposes.

With this background we can now seek to understand the faith of GOD. Romans 4:17b, gives us a vivid and powerful insight into the faith of GOD. This verse tells us that < ... **GOD ... calls into being that *which does not exist.*** >

Salvation is designed *in* the faith of GOD to call into being a *new* man in the image and fullness of CHRIST JESUS! Salvation is *necessarily* and *inherently* a creative process. A creative process expressed in the image and fullness of CHRIST JESUS!

Such a creative process - in CHRIST JESUS - is inherent to the design of the Word Of GOD! This is GOD's will!

The Word Of GOD communicated in the Spirit and Life of CHRIST JESUS is therefore ***inherently creative***.

The Word Of GOD is therefore designed to call "into being" - in GOD's faith - all that GOD has purposed in HIS Sovereign Will.

There is in this reality, a realm of the Word Of GOD designed to call "into being" - ***through the mouth and hearts of GOD's children*** - all that GOD has purposed for HIS chosen ones in HIS Sovereign will (see Deuteronomy 30:14-15; 1 John 5:10a, 7-8, NKJV and, Romans 10:8-13).

To facilitate the actualization of this reality in truth, the LORD JESUS is called the Apostle and High Priest of our confession (see Hebrews 3:1).

And, in order to ensure that we function in true faith, the LORD JESUS CHRIST is also called the Author and Finisher of ***our*** faith (see Hebrews 12:2a)!

What GOD has designed, the LORD JESUS CHRIST expresses in Mark 11:23, declaring: < **Truly I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, "Be taken up and cast into the sea," and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that what he says is going to happen, it shall be granted him.** >

In Mark 11:23, the LORD JESUS CHRIST is describing a faith form that HE will Author and Finish (or Perfect) in each one of us!

Believing that what we say is going to happen - when aligned with GOD's will witnessed in our heart - is the practical, functional reality of GOD's faith actualized in our hearts! This is Blood Covenant function actualized.

We are ***all*** called to ***actualize*** this reality.

In this reality, the LORD JESUS declares in Matthew 17:20c, < ... **And nothing shall be impossible to you!** > Nothing that is in line with GOD's will, will be impossible to us! We can do ***all*** things through CHRIST WHO strengthens us (Philippians 4:13).

And, this ***faith*** alignment in GOD's will, is brought about through JESUS CHRIST being the Apostle and High Priest of our confession and, in HIM being the Author and Finisher of our faith. This faith alignment in GOD's will is Blood Covenant mediated into the tablets of our heart by JESUS CHRIST!

This faith alignment stands in the substance of CHRIST JESUS fullness actualized in our hearts of flesh. JESUS CHRIST ensures this actuality by being the Apostle and High Priest of our confession and, by being the Author and Finisher of our faith.

Notice that the LORD JESUS, in Mark 11:23c, tells us that when this alignment in GOD's will takes place: < ***it shall be granted*** >. See also **1 John 5:13-15!**

All that derives from the faith of GOD is ***entirely subject*** to HIS will. HIS faith is ***not*** opened to us as something subject to our whims and fancies.

All that derives from the faith of GOD is entirely ***in*** and ***of*** CHRIST JESUS - the Way, the Truth and the Life!

The phrase < ***it shall be granted*** > tells us clearly that the faith of GOD opened into our inward parts ***is entirely subject to GOD's will***. Functioning in GOD's faith is ***not*** allowed to contravene GOD's Sovereign will in which HIS faith is released for us!

GOD's faith witnessed in our hearts - as our faith in HIM - must be exercised entirely in line with GOD's Word and HIS will for the performance of that Word.

GOD's faith witnessed in our hearts ***must*** be exercised in line with GOD's Covenant Word fashioned and formed in our hearts and "minds" (Greek: "dianoia") in HIS will.

This Covenant Word stands in a heart of flesh as introduced in Chapter 1. This heart of flesh is entirely ***of*** the fullness of JESUS CHRIST.

GOD's faith witnessed - by the HOLY SPIRIT - in our hearts of flesh, in the Witness and Testimony of JESUS, **has the potentials of manifesting a conviction of "no doubt"** within us!

This conviction - that has no doubt - is **of the substance** of JESUS CHRIST fullness!

[In Chapter 6, we describe another form of conviction and confidence that Lucifer developed that is **entirely false**. This faith form that took shape in Lucifer's mind is a **totality in deception**.]

It is in this reality that GOD declares prophetically, in Jeremiah 1:11-12, that HE is watching over **HIS** Word to perform it. GOD performs HIS Word - in fulfilled terms - through the Witness and Testimony Of JESUS (see Luke 22:15-16; Matt 5:17-18).

The Word Of GOD that is communicated into us by the HOLY SPIRIT, through the Witness and Testimony of JESUS, is GOD's Word that GOD will perform - forever!

GOD will perform HIS Word when our heart is alive to HIM and, to HIS purposes for the performance of HIS Word!

GOD will perform HIS Word through the conduit of HIS faith opened through **our** heart - as our faith responds to HIM in confident conviction, in the reality that HE IS and, in the reality that HE is a rewarder of those **who seek HIM** (see Hebrews 11:6)!

When our faith responds to HIS faith we have a **Covenant reality** brought into place within our own hearts that is an actual **functional** expression of GOD's Righteousness.

This is a Covenant reality unveiled by the HOLY SPIRIT, in CHRIST JESUS. This Covenant reality stands by the faith of GOD brought into a

realized state of conviction and confidence in our being. This is the righteousness of GOD made alive in us.

Hebrews 3:14 (NKJV) speaks of a state of being birthed in a confidence that is fashioned in 'hupostasis' (also called 'substance' in Hebrews 11:1, NKJV): < **For we have become partakers of CHRIST, if we hold fast the beginning of our confidence (Greek: 'hupostasis') firm until the end.** >

Notice that in this state of being that has a growing confidence, we are actually proclaimed to be actual partakers of CHRIST! We become actual partakers of CHRIST in the substance that has the witness of a growing confidence - in HIM.

The substance of CHRIST is of the faith (and love) of GOD! For GOD so loved the world that HE gave us HIS SON. HE gave by faith communicated in HIS love for us!

This substance - that expresses itself in us as a growing confidence - is of the faith of GOD opened to us through CHRIST JESUS!

This confidence is a functional state of being that is entirely of what CHRIST JESUS HIMSELF developed through HIS life and ministry before GOD the FATHER.

This is why in John 7:38, the LORD JESUS CHRIST declares: < **He who believes in ME, as the Scripture said, "From his innermost being shall flow rivers of living water."** >

Given the size of rivers that we see in the natural world, we see that the spiritual actuality of rivers flowing out of our innermost being is simply astonishing!

Such a reality is developed **out of** GOD's faith for the unveiling of HIS sons in the image and fullness **of** CHRIST JESUS!

The spiritual blueprint for such a flow in the SPIRIT Of GOD is the Testimony Of JESUS. For this reason the Testimony Of JESUS is called the Spirit Of Prophecy.

GOD's faith gives expression - in us and amongst us - to actual functional spiritual realities that have the potential to flow out of us as actual rivers of living water!

GOD's faith gives expression - in us and amongst us - to rivers of living water consistent with HIS Will, HIS Purpose and, HIS moral attributes.

In Romans 4:17b, quoted earlier, we see that the faith of GOD calls forth what isn't, into actual being. And, this gives actual functional expression to GOD's Word.

Genesis 1:3 proclaims this reality in dramatic fashion: < **Then GOD said, "Let there be light"; and there was light.** >

GOD then examines the evidence of this light that had come into being and Genesis 1:4 reads: < **And GOD saw that the light was good** ... >

Hebrews 11:1 (KJV/NKJV) tells us that faith has an evidence. And the evidence of GOD's faith is always good - being entirely consistent with the moral attributes of HIS Nature and Character!

In the Scriptures we see that GOD has progressively spoken HIS Plan for us, and the world that we live in, into progressive being. HIS Plan for us is entirely of HIS faith.

We are designed to actively participate in the unveiling of GOD's Plan by seeing our inward parts align with HIS Plan. This alignment happens through understanding.

This understanding comes out of HIS faith! This understanding aligns us by faith in HIS will. The alignment is entirely based on the substance of our faith.

If this substance is of JESUS CHRIST, our faith stands perfectly aligned with GOD's will! If the substance is not of JESUS CHRIST (WHO is

called the Way, the Truth and the Life in prophetic terms), then we are standing in rebellion or disobedience before GOD.

GOD's faith has the potential of operating in us and through us when we speak forth what stands as a conviction and a confidence in our heart, aligned to HIS Will.

This is a functional reality in Covenant that GOD has - by HIS faith - begun to bring into a functional state of being in us.

HE does this in CHRIST JESUS, by the HOLY SPIRIT!

In the light of GOD's Master Plan, we see that many portions of the prophetic Word have been fulfilled in history and in the lives and testimonies of our spiritual fathers who have been before us.

There are many more exciting portions of Scripture that are awaiting their fulfillment in this age and the age to come.

Similarly there are also higher levels of Scriptural reality that are awaiting their fulfillment in this age and the age to come.

Most importantly for each one of us, there is a personal dimension to this Master Plan that is relevant to each and every one of us, in the context of us becoming functioning members of one Body. One Body defined as the fullness of JESUS CHRIST with the potentials of giving expression to HIS fullness so that HIS fullness will fill all in all (see Ephesians 1:22c-23).

The personal dimension to this Master Plan that is relevant to each and every one of us unveils us each as unique epistles of CHRIST!

In Revelation 21:1-5, the apostle John sees the reality of GOD's faith in prophetic terms as follows: **< And I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth passed away, and there is no longer any sea.>**

And I saw the holy city, New Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from GOD, made ready as a bride adorned for her husband.

And I heard a loud voice from the throne, saying, "Behold, the Tabernacle Of GOD is among men, and HE shall dwell among them, and they shall be HIS people, and GOD HIMSELF shall be among them, and HE shall wipe away every tear from their eyes; and there shall no longer be any death; there shall no longer be any mourning, or crying, or pain; the first things have passed away. And HE WHO sits on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." And HE said, "Write, for these words are faithful and true." (See Revelation 3:14b) >

John sees in vision what GOD sees in HIS faith. Where, GOD's faith is the expressive and creative, conduit of HIS Omniscience!

We can also note that what GOD sees, is opened to John in the Book Of Revelation through the Testimony Of JESUS (see Revelation 1:1-2) which is proclaimed to be entirely *faithful* and *true* (see Revelation 3:14b). It is *in* this Witness of the Testimony Of JESUS that GOD's faith operates in us and through us and over us!

And, this Witness is entirely faithful and true and will always be so to each one of us who is *willing* to realize (or actualize) its reality - by substance of MASHIAH YESHUA's fullness!

GOD's faith is revealed - to us - through the Testimony Of JESUS. Through the Testimony Of JESUS, GOD's faith becomes a functional Witness within us. And, GOD's faith revealed through the Testimony Of JESUS is faithful and true! Always!

The Witness that is true and faithful is designed - in GOD's faith - to become our operating system **in partnership with the HOLY SPIRIT.** Because HIS faith revealed through the Testimony Of JESUS is **always faithful** and **true**, we can have an **unshakeable confidence in GOD** that can move mountains!

The reality that gives credence to the fulfillment of Scripture (in terms of all of its promises and prophetic content) is the actual faith of GOD - communicated through the Testimony Of JESUS, through the finished work of the Cross, into hearts of flesh that can be quickened into a functional mode of unshakeable confidence, by the HOLY SPIRIT.

And, this is function fashioned and expressed in Covenant partnership with GOD - in CHRIST JESUS, by the HOLY SPIRIT (see Romans 8:2)! This functional reality is true life actualized!

GOD has expressed HIS faith (and HIS love) for our wellbeing through HIS Word given to us as a Testament and as a Covenant.

The Testament is the proclamation of HIS faith (and love) and, the Covenant is the realization of HIS faith (and love) in an inward functional confidence! This inward confidence is authored and finished (or, perfected) by JESUS CHRIST HIMSELF!

And, this is why CHRIST JESUS - the Author and Finisher of our faith - tells us that we can actually have the faith of GOD!

When GOD's Covenant Testament - in us - is quickened by the HOLY SPIRIT into a functional Witness, we have the potential of actually functioning in spiritual realities entirely defined in GOD's faith for us!

Both the Testament and the resulting Covenant are proclamations of GOD's faith brought to fulfillment into us, and our spheres of influence, through JESUS CHRIST, by the HOLY SPIRIT.

We now understand that the Scripture carries a realm of the Word Of GOD that is the seed of GOD's own faith!

This seed has the potential of communicating (and developing) functional realities in GOD's faith into our being in such a way that we become actual functioning vessels of the MOST HIGH GOD!

When we were born again, it is the seed of GOD's Word that birthed the reality of new life in each of us: in unique terms in each one of us (see 1 Peter 1:23).

It is fascinating that this reality of new life in us is addressed in 1 John 5:10a as *the Witness*. 1 John 5:10a reads: < **The one who believes in the SON of GOD has the Witness in himself.** >

Being born again opened a potentially functional Witness within us.

This Witness is a Covenant Witness that GOD wants to develop within us through our faith in JESUS CHRIST.

This Covenant Witness is entirely designed in GOD's faith (and love). And, this Covenant Witness, when fashioned into us, is entirely designed to also operate in realities that derive in and from GOD's faith (and love).

From the first fruits of the new birth we can immediately see that the Word Of GOD is actual spiritual seed that grows into a Tree Of Life in JESUS CHRIST - that stands in the Witness: "**I AM The Life**"! This Tree Of Life is grounded in the Root Of David and unveils us each as Offspring Of David as noted in Revelation 22:16.

This spiritual seed of the Word Of GOD is designed in GOD's Word to unveils us each as Morning Stars in the image and fullness of the Bright Morning Star (see 2 Peter 1:19; Revelation 22:16).

Please understand that this spiritual seed gives rise to actual functional realities that ***we do not have in our own selves.***

The realities opened to us in the seed of GOD's Word can actually grow and develop with actual changes in our character and nature and abilities in GOD! Many of us have already experienced the first fruits of this amazing reality.

The seed of GOD's Word can develop into distinct (and diverse) functional partnerships with GOD. These functional partnerships are defined by Covenant that GOD wants to form in our hearts.

[The unveiling of this functional partnership is part and parcel of the Mystery of GOD's will for our life.]

Simply put, the spiritual seed of GOD's Word, carries an awesome potential for each one of us in GOD's faith and *because* of GOD's faith!

The seed of GOD's faith which has the potential of growing into an actual Tree Of Life - in us and amongst us - has awesome prophetic implications as noted in: Revelation 22:1-6; John 14:6; John 17:26,26c; 1 John 5:10a; Revelation 3:14b and, Proverbs 15:4!

The seed of GOD's Word that HE has given us is the Seed Of CHRIST (see Galatians 3:16). [Compare also Romans 10:17 (KJV/NKJV) with Romans 10:17 (NASB/NIV) and understand that the Rhema Word Of GOD is made manifest as the Rhema Word Of CHRIST through communication of the Spirit and Life of JESUS CHRIST as noted in John 6:63. See also John 17:8a, 7a and 6a.]

GOD's Word unveils its true and abiding fulfillment potential *only* in CHRIST JESUS. This is why Revelation 19:10c, instructs us that: < **The Testimony Of JESUS is the Spirit Of Prophecy.** >

This simply means that the Word Of GOD that carries the seed of GOD's faith is channeled into our lives through the Testimony Of JESUS. And, this prophetic reality is, in Rhema terms, called "**the Witness**" as we read earlier in 1 John 5:10a!

This Witness is described in Revelation 3:14 as < **The AMEN, the faithful and true Witness, the Beginning of the Creation of GOD!** >

This Witness of the Beginning of the Creation of GOD is of the faith of GOD. This Witness is being developed in us as an on-line *functional* Witness. This Witness is designed to enable us to actually function in and by and through GOD - *continuously* - in conscious, sub-conscious and unconscious terms from our inward parts!

Through actual function in this Witness we die to self and self-denominated function. And, we die to self and self-denominated function in conscious, sub-conscious and unconscious terms!

In **HIS** faith we are a **new creation** in the making!

As we learn to function in and by and through GOD - in realities defined in HIS faith and love for us - we die to self and self-denominated function, and we come forth as a **new creation**!

As we learn to objectively and passionately glorify GOD in this functioning that derives from HIS faith and love for us, we die to self and self-denominated function.

The Witness is the Rhema reality of the Testimony Of JESUS - HIS Words - brought to life in us and amongst us, by the HOLY SPIRIT.

This means that the Word Of GOD is **explained** in truth (see John 14:6 and John 1:18) through the Testimony Of JESUS. The Testimony of JESUS is described as "**HIS Words**". [Compare John 6:63 and Luke 21:33 with 1 Peter 1:25 to understand this.] "**HIS Words**" have deep prophetic significance for us.

"**HIS Words**" are living expressions of the Spirit and Life of JESUS CHRIST that the HOLY SPIRIT communicates into us (see John 16:13-15 and John 6:63).

"**HIS Words**" bring GOD's faith and GOD's design contained in "**HIS Words**" **into** us! GOD's design for us unveils in the Testimony Of JESUS! And, the seed of HIS Words can grow and give growing expression to GOD's faith and design for us!

The Word Of GOD - revealed in CHRIST JESUS and communicated by the HOLY SPIRIT - is the seed by which GOD sows HIS faith and develops realities in consonance with HIS faith and HIS will **in** us and **into** us.

GOD's Word, in GOD's faith, is "seed faith" for a new creation - a new man. This reality of the Word Of GOD that is seed faith is entirely communicated through the Witness and Testimony of JESUS CHRIST.

Seed faith communicates through the conduits of the Spirit and Life of JESUS CHRIST.

And, this totality of GOD's Word communicated into our being, has the potentials of finding actual functional expression in our inward parts as "**the Witness**" (see 1 John 5:10a, NASB/NKJV).

And in this reality the LORD JESUS CHRIST becomes to us - in practical functional terms - the Way, the Truth and the Life.

And, this reality is a creative realization brought forth through GOD's faith!

The Way, the Truth and the Life is - in prophetic terms - a fully functional state of being that is to be brought forth in us, in the image and fullness of JESUS CHRIST.

The image and fullness of JESUS CHRIST gives perfect form and expression to the substance of GOD's faith for us (and towards us).

And so, we see that '**the Witness**' grows out of the Seed Of CHRIST.

In this true seed faith of the Word that grows into the Witness in us, we can actually grow to move mountains in GOD's perfect will and power (see Matthew 17:20 and Mark 4:26-28. See also Matthew 13:23; Romans 10:17 and Mark 4:20).

And, in Matthew 17:20c, the LORD JESUS instructs us that all this is so, **so that nothing shall be impossible to us!**

GOD's Covenant Word with us is designed to demonstrate the fact that we are a peculiar people chosen to function entirely in and by and through GOD!

In learning to function in and by and through GOD we die to self and actually live by GOD!

This is our destiny as sons of GOD - a royal priesthood of kings and prophets.

We can do *all things through CHRIST* WHO strengthens us (see Philippians 4:13,19).

Through CHRIST being formed in us (see Galatians 4:19), GOD's faith takes form in us in terms fully subject to GOD's Will purposed in CHRIST JESUS (see Colossians 1:12-20 and Ephesians 1:3-10), by Covenant writ written into our hearts by the Finger of GOD (see Exodus 31:18; 32:15-16; 2 Corinthians 3:3,6; Jeremiah 31:31-34).

Our access to this faith of GOD *is entirely subject* to us being fashioned in the image and fullness of CHRIST JESUS (see Romans 8:29,28-30; John 1:16-17, KJV/NKJV/NASB); Ephesians 1:22-23 and Ephesians 2:10).

AMEN (see Revelation 3:14b)!



THE *SEED* OF GOD'S FAITH

We have learnt that the faith of GOD is communicated through the seed of the Word. This communication takes place in GOD's Sovereign will (see Exodus 31:18; 32:15-16; Jeremiah 31:31-34; 2 Corinthians 3:3, NKJV; 1 John 5:10a, 7-8, NKJV). GOD's Sovereign will is unveiled in CHRIST JESUS to / into us.

And so, the seed of the Word was first implanted in us as the Seed Of CHRIST! And this enabled us to be born again (see 1 Peter 1:23 and Galatians 3:16).

Our spiritual growth is designed in all that is contained in the seed of the Word.

The seed of the Word is the conduit for the revelation and the expression of GOD's faith.

As a seed will grow into a tree in the natural, GOD is giving us a picture of how we grow spiritually out of the seed of HIS Word.

And, this growth is meant to become the conduit in which GOD's faith will find expression in us and ultimately also through us.

The seed of GOD's Word also takes form as the New Covenant in a heart of flesh in us.

The seed of GOD's Word is the seed of CHRIST. The seed of GOD's Word is designed for actual communication - in substance - in the fullness of CHRIST. **And so, GOD's Word takes form in us as CHRIST is formed in us!**

Such a reality of GOD's Word did not exist in the Old Covenant!

The New Covenant reality is in the Word that has been magnified and glorified according to all of GOD's Name (see Psalm 138:2c) through the Witness and Testimony Of JESUS.

This is **the Word Of The Cross** that, is the power of GOD (see 1 Corinthians 1:18).

The New Covenant reality of GOD's Word opens to us in the actuality of the fulfillment of the Law and the Prophets **in the finished work of the Cross.** The seed of CHRIST (crucified) communicates this reality of the New Covenant Word.

The entire communication is of CHRIST JESUS' fullness - HIS substance! And, this communication brings into being within us realities that stand in the fulfillment of the Law and the Prophets!

When the seed of CHRIST was first planted in us we were born again. And, the process of building Covenant into our hearts was begun as the Word of GOD began to be communicated into us in CHRIST JESUS, by the HOLY SPIRIT.

The seed of CHRIST planted in our hearts opened "the Witness" in us. The seed of CHRIST is the seed of GOD's Word that communicates the seed of GOD's faith into a dynamic Witness within us.

And, as CHRIST is formed in us the seed of GOD's faith takes functional form in us **in the image and fullness of JESUS CHRIST!** And, this actualization - in a living Witness - fulfills the Law and opens the potentials of the Prophets fulfilled into our lives!

GOD's faith for us is designed to produce this evidence of each of us being created in the image and fullness of CHRIST JESUS!

The functional form of the seed of CHRIST is also the functional form of the seed of GOD's faith - in us. And, this functional form of the seed of CHRIST is "the Witness" that we are called to actualize by the HOLY SPIRIT, in CHRIST JESUS (see John 16:14, 13-15).

The Witness is designed to be a Witness of Covenant in GOD - an actual functional Oath in GOD (see Hebrews 7:28,22; Exodus 31:18; 32:15-16 and 2 Corinthians 3:3, NASB+NKJV). This ***functional*** Oath is entirely and exclusively GOD's Sovereign work communicated through the seed of ***HIS faith*** because of HIS love for us.

The Witness is designed to communicate realities in GOD's faith into us and through us - as a functional Covenant enabled into our lives through the will of GOD. This functional Covenant Witness, is brought into being within us, by the HOLY SPIRIT, in the fullness of CHRIST JESUS. It is the living expression of GOD's faith and love for us.

Ultimately every function of the sons of GOD - both male and female, Jew and Gentile - will be manifested into functional being, in a Witness formed out of the faith (and love) of GOD for us.

In this realization - **which takes place *by* the HOLY SPIRIT, *in* CHRIST JESUS** - we will have come to give ***functional*** expression to the reality of being fearfully and wonderfully made!

In a moment of time when we were born again, what GOD's faith (and love) - operating by the HOLY SPIRIT in the Testimony Of JESUS and, opened in us as the seed of CHRIST - did inside of us, all the religious practice under the Law could never do!

A new creation - in GOD's faith (and love) - was begun (see 2 Corinthians 5:17; Ephesians 2:10 and, Revelation 3:14b). A new plane of reality in GOD has been opened ***in*** us and ***amongst*** us.

The Word Of GOD - when understood in the ***finished*** work of the Cross - is a conduit of GOD's faith (and love) to accomplish GOD's purposes.

This conduit of fulfillment is achieved by all that grows out of the seed of CHRIST!

GOD's purposes in CHRIST JESUS are unique to each one of us according to HIS call upon our life and our response to HIM.

The Word Of GOD - when understood in the finished work of the Cross - has the potential of giving expression to the faith (and love) of GOD in us and through us.

The intent is to enable us to function through the faith (and love) of GOD that operates in us by Covenant framed in HIS Sovereign will into our inward parts!

Salvation - which is the process by which GOD builds Covenant into us - flows out of GOD's faith (and love) for us.

The (Rhema) Word Of The Cross is a living expression of GOD's faith and love for us through JESUS CHRIST. And, **this Rhema Word Of The Cross is the Witness** - true and faithful - that GOD has opened in us (see 1 John 5:10a,8 and John 19:30,34).

This Rhema Word Of The Cross - which is the Witness - **is the power of GOD** (see 1 Corinthians 1:18, NASB; 1 John 5:10a, 7-8, NKJV; John 19:30,34; John 17:8a,7a; **Ephesians 3:20**) made alive **in us** in fully functional terms.

And, this communication of GOD's faith brings to life - in us and amongst us - the fulfillment of the Mystery of GOD's will which is predestined to be revealed in, and by, and through, the Testimony Of JESUS (see Ephesians 1:3-10; Colossians 1:12-20; Ephesians 3:3-4,7-10, NASB+NKJV).

The Testimony Of JESUS is the blueprint through which all of GOD's work in man is expressed and brought into growing fulfillment. And, this is why the Testimony Of JESUS is the Spirit Of Prophecy!

The Testimony Of JESUS is the blueprint for the outworking of GOD's faith (and love) in HIS perfect will. And, this perfect outworking of GOD's will is entirely communicated in HIS faith (and love) for us.

It is the HOLY SPIRIT WHO unfolds this outworking of GOD's will.

The faith of GOD - in HIS perfect will for us - is released into us when we hear the Rhema Word Of GOD (see note 3.1) with:

- Understanding (see Matthew 13:23)
- Acceptance (see Mark 4:20)
- The perseverance to live the Word opened into our hearts, with honesty and integrity (see Luke 8:15) in all that we do in word and deed (see Colossians 3:17).

We need to persevere with the Word Of GOD in the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth, in order to realize the transcendent "Passover" realities - of GOD's Sovereign Provision - inherent in GOD's faith (see 1 Corinthians 5:7-8 in the context of both Genesis 22:14 and Psalms 24:3-4) towards us.

The Passover is prophetic of GOD's perfect will to have us each "tabernacled" in the secret place of the MOST HIGH GOD, under the shadow of the ALMIGHTY (see Psalms 91:1).

This is a position that is to be developed in us (by faith) in actual functional terms - defined in CHRIST JESUS and, brought alive in us by the HOLY SPIRIT.

This "Passover" is an actualization of the transcendent realities of the Word Of GOD unveiled by the HOLY SPIRIT, in the faith of GOD communicated into us through the Witness and Testimony Of JESUS.

The communication of the Rhema Word Of GOD - and the faith of GOD inherent to the Word Of GOD - is exclusively the ministry of the HOLY SPIRIT (see John 6:63; 2 Corinthians 3:6-8; John 16:13-15).

The Rhema Word Of GOD is exclusively communicated in the *Spirit* and *Life* of JESUS CHRIST (see note 3.1).

This communication is the exclusive ministry of the HOLY SPIRIT. This communication is exclusively of the will of the FATHER (see John 16:15; Ephesians 1:3-9 and 1:15-23).

GOD has the intent of communicating HIS faith *perfectly* so that we can flow (or function) in HIS *perfect* faith - revealed in CHRIST JESUS, by the HOLY SPIRIT.

HIS faith unveils the transcendent realities of HIS heart, which are to flow through HIS sons, both male and female, Jew and Gentile (see Galatians 3:26-29) - forever (see Revelation 22:1-6).

In this way we will be taught to live exclusively *by* GOD (through HIS faith that sees each one of us as perfectly functioning sons of GOD)!

This is why we are to grow into the perfection that is expressed in CHRIST (see Ephesians 4:13, 15-16).

The perfection comes *into us* out of CHRIST being formed in us. In this way we will become actual sons of GOD.

And, through the realization of the faith of GOD - through the growth of the seed of HIS faith in our hearts - *GOD will become our life*.

In GOD - the FATHER, the SON (the WORD) and the HOLY SPIRIT - will we actually live, move and, have our being in fully functional terms.

And, this state of being will function entirely in the Tree Of Life that has **grown out** of the seed of CHRIST, which is the seed of GOD's own faith!

This is what GOD's faith to us is designed to do - in the FATHER's will. AMEN! (See Revelation 3:14b)

So the seed of GOD's faith opens the transcendent reality of true life (Greek: "zoe") in and by and through GOD, into us and amongst us.

[Through the implanting of the Seed Of CHRIST that manifests the immanent reality of HIS Witness within us, we see that the transcendent realities of actual sonship to GOD open to us in the glory of HIS grace!]

The seed of faith that is inherent to GOD's Word, has the potential of growing into a transcendent life form - described in CHRIST JESUS and brought to life by the HOLY SPIRIT (see Mark 4:20-27) in us and amongst us. AMEN (See Revelation 3:14b)!

This transcendent life form is entirely expressed in the seed of CHRIST.

And, the HOLY SPIRIT is charged with revealing, developing and establishing this transcendent life form before the FATHER (see John 17:22; 16:13-15; 17:6a, 26; 1 John 5:14-15; Revelation 21:9-11) in the Testimony Of JESUS!

The seed of GOD's faith - communicated into us as the seed of CHRIST - has an astonishing purpose that stretches into all eternity. It is therefore crucial for us to align our inward parts with the realities of the Word that stand in HIS faith.

Only the HOLY SPIRIT can bring such a position in CHRIST JESUS **into being** in us before the FATHER!

Paul testifies of the first fruits of such a reality in Romans 9:1 < **I am telling the truth in CHRIST, I am not lying, my conscience bearing me witness in the HOLY SPIRIT** >.

What Paul proclaims is a reality that flows out of the Witness of the Master. John 8:12-14 reads: < ... **JESUS spoke to them saying, "I AM the Light of the world "** The Pharisees therefore said to HIM, **"YOU are bearing Witness of YOURSELF; YOUR Witness is not true."** **JESUS answered and said to them, "Even if I bear Witness of MYSELF, MY Witness is true; for I know where I came from, and where I am going; but you do not know where I come from, or where I am going."** >

Here the LORD is proclaiming what Paul is proclaiming. The LORD is declaring that HE is telling the truth because HE has the Witness of the HOLY SPIRIT within HIM as to where HE has come from and as to where HE is going.

Ultimately HE goes to the Cross and GOD vindicates the Witness of the MESSIAH by raising HIM from the dead!

HE also tells the Pharisees that they are not operating in such a reality in the SPIRIT of GOD and therefore **they do not know** where JESUS CHRIST has come from and where HE is going. And so we know that ultimately they crucified the MESSIAH.

The Witness of true faith is described as follows in 1 John 5:14-15 < **And this is the confidence which we have before HIM, that if we ask *anything according to HIS will*, HE hears us. And, if we know that HE hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests which we have asked from HIM.** >

The LORD JESUS in John 11:41-44, describes the fully functional reality of the Witness that is alive to GOD: < **FATHER, I thank THEE that THOU hearest ME. And I know that THOU hearest ME *always*** HE cried out with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come forth." He who died came forth >

So we see that the Witness in us actually ***knowing*** what is truly in GOD's will, is the key for the faith of GOD to be operating from our inward parts.

There is also a reality of timing - GOD's ***appointed*** timing - for the faith of GOD being actually released from our inward parts.



Scripture References & Notes - Chapter 3

(3.1) Compare Romans 10:17 (KJV/NKJV) with Romans 10:17 (NASB/NIV) and understand that the Rhema Word Of GOD is made manifest as the Rhema Word Of CHRIST through communication of the Spirit and Life of JESUS CHRIST as noted in John 6:63. See also John 17:8a, 7a and 6a.

THE *SUBSTANCE* OF GOD'S FAITH

Why is the LORD JESUS CHRIST *necessarily* the Way, the Truth and the Life?

Simply because the substance of GOD's faith (see note 4.1) and love is entirely and exclusively described and communicated *to us* in and through JESUS CHRIST (in HIS fullness), by the HOLY SPIRIT (see John 16:13-15).

The substance of GOD's faith - communicated in and through JESUS CHRIST, by the HOLY SPIRIT - forms in fully functional terms in us the totality that is prophetically described as *the* Way, *the* Truth and *the* Life!

Only the WORD made flesh could communicate - without *any* blemish - the reality of the substance of GOD's hope in perfection, so as to enable the pure and perfect completion of GOD's will *in* a *new* man (see Ephesians 2:10; 2 Corinthians 5:17). This communication into us is the fulfillment of the Law and Prophets.

It is the Testimony Of JESUS that is the framework for the communication of the substance of GOD's hope - which is GOD's faith - that will actually form *in us* the Way, the Truth and the Life.

The functional reality of the Way, the Truth and the Life is "the Witness" - true and faithful - which gives *functional* expression to us as a new creation in CHRIST JESUS (see Revelation 3:14b; Ephesians 2:10).

This new creation is of the substance of GOD's faith brought into us through CHRIST JESUS, by the HOLY SPIRIT! The substance of GOD's faith is of the fullness of CHRIST JESUS communicated into us by the HOLY SPIRIT (see John 1:16-17, (NASB+KJV+NKJV); John 16:14,13-15).

GOD expressed HIS hope for a new creation in the SON by the HOLY SPIRIT. The substance of GOD's hope unveils the evidence of HIS faith exercised. This evidence of GOD's faith is communicated in the Testimony Of JESUS, WHO is prophetically designated as our inheritance and possession (see Ezekiel 44:28). The fullness of CHRIST JESUS is to fill all-in-all (see Ephesians 1:22-23; Colossians 1:19).

For us, the substance of GOD's hope unveils the evidence of us becoming a new creation in and through the fullness of CHRIST JESUS being perfected and completed into us through the ministry of the HOLY SPIRIT (see Ephesians 2:10; John 1:16-17, NASB+NKJV+KJV; John 16:14,13-15).

GOD's faith unveils the evidence of a new man in the image and fullness of CHRIST JESUS. The substance of GOD's faith for a new man manifests in the fullness of CHRIST JESUS, by the HOLY SPIRIT!

In Isaiah 48:16 the SON proclaims: < **"Come near to ME, listen to this: From the first I have not spoken in secret, from the time it took place, I was there. And now the LORD GOD has sent ME, and HIS SPIRIT."** >

The FATHER sent the SON to give perfect definition and expression to HIS faith for a new man.

The FATHER and the SON sent the HOLY SPIRIT to communicate the substance of GOD's faith expressed in the fullness of CHRIST JESUS - into man. So that man could - by the HOLY SPIRIT, in CHRIST JESUS fullness actualized - become a new man in fully functional terms! AMEN!

The substance of GOD's faith is communicated in YESHUA MASHIAH (see note 4.2). The WORD made flesh WHO was tried and tested through HIS life, ministry and crucifixion and, vindicated in HIS

resurrection (see Romans 1:3-4) so as to become the blueprint of a new creation for each one of us - *in substance*.

By substance the blueprint is communicated. The substance communicated becomes in us - in fully functional terms perfected and completed into us - the Way, the Truth and the Life. The Way, the Truth and the Life is of the fullness of CHRIST JESUS communicated into us by the HOLY SPIRIT.

'The Way, the Truth and the Life' becomes a fully functional Witness in substance in us. The substance of CHRIST JESUS' fullness defines the Witness and, partnership with the HOLY SPIRIT gives expression to the functions of the Witness in JESUS Name.

The substance and the Witness actualized in our inward parts are a living expression of GOD's faith communicated into us. This living expression of GOD's faith functions in CHRIST JESUS by the HOLY SPIRIT. The faith of GOD results in a new totality called life eternal.

The faith (and love) of GOD was tried and tested *in substance* for our salvation - in MASHIAH YESHUA (CHRIST JESUS). The faith and love of GOD tried and tested in CHRIST JESUS became the basis of the fulfillment of the Law and the Prophets through the Witness of CHRIST JESUS in us (see Matthew 5:17-18,20; 1 John 5:10a; Revelation 3:14b).

The faith and love of JESUS CHRIST - *tried* and *tested in substance* (perfected) through the Cross - gave "perfected" definition and expression to the faith of GOD expressed towards man for a new creation in CHRIST JESUS (see Ephesians 2:10,8-10 and Hebrews 1:3,1-5).

This new creation is of the substance of CHRIST JESUS fullness - perfected by sacrifice for mankind.

This is why YHWH-YIREH is GOD's provision by sacrifice (see Genesis 22:14 and John 1:16-17, NASB/KJV/NKJV). At the heart of GOD's provision is HIS faith and love for a new man - a new creation in the image and fullness of CHRIST JESUS.

GOD provides for us through HIS faith and love tested by sacrifice - in grace and mercy - in the exclusive price the SON paid for us.

GOD's provision - through the sacrifice of CHRIST JESUS - is in essential and fundamental terms "substance" ("hupostasis") that gives expression to a functional witness in us (see 1 John 5:10a).

GOD's provision unveils in the substance of HIS faith and HIS love perfected and completed for man in CHRIST JESUS in a prophetic expression termed 'the fullness of CHRIST JESUS' (see John 1:16; Ephesians 1:22c-23; Colossians 1:19).

From mankind's perspective this substance is **exclusively** and **necessarily of** JESUS CHRIST (see Hebrews 1:1-5 and John 1:16-17, NASB/KJV/NKJV).

This substance - of the fullness of CHRIST JESUS - is the only (tried and tested) basis of a new creation (see John 1:16-17, NASB/KJV/NKJV).

This tried and tested basis was vindicated in MASHIAH YESHUA's resurrection. An event that manifested the evidence of CHRIST JESUS, being - exclusively - the Way, the Truth and the Life!

This substance - of the fullness of CHRIST JESUS, which is the "perfected" expression of GOD's faith - is designed to give functional definition to the Witness (see 1 John 5:10a, 7-8, NKJV and Revelation 3:14b) made alive in us by the HOLY SPIRIT (see John 6:63a and John 16:14,13-15).

This **substance** makes us actual partakers of CHRIST (see note 4.3) through CHRIST being formed in us (see Galatians 4:19; see also John 1:16, NASB/KJV/NKJV) even as we learn to do all things through CHRIST WHO strengthens us (see Philippians 4:13, NKJV).

The resulting functional Witness within us is characterized by an actual confidence.

This confidence - of having no doubt - is the exclusive work of GOD in our inward parts (see Exodus 31:18; 32:15-16; 2 Corinthians 3:3, NKJV; Ezekiel 36:26,25-27)!

This confidence arises through the witness, to the fulfillment of the Law and the Prophets, being made alive in us in the substance that is entirely of CHRIST JESUS (see Romans 3:21-22, KJV). The substance is entirely of the faith and love of CHRIST JESUS expressed freely for us before the FATHER.

HIS faith justifies us and HIS love brings fulfillment. And, the result is an actual, functional confidence in our inward parts. AMEN!

The substance that is of CHRIST JESUS is the exclusive product of GOD's faith that will enable the sons of GOD to function in actual positions in the Mount Of The LORD (see Matthew 5:8; Psalms 24:3-4; 15:1-2; Genesis 22:14, NKJV + NASB + KJV)!

We do this from the witness of confidence actualized in our hearts from the substance of the Master's fullness.

This confidence is tied to purity of heart (see Ps 24:3-4; 15:1-2; Matthew 5:8; 1 John 3:3)! And, this purity is entirely a result of **HIS substance** formed in our hearts. HE has to be LORD and BELOVED to us for this purity to be true!

Because the substance of our hearts is designed in salvation to be *of* CHRIST JESUS, we have the potentials of growing hearts of purity. Our growing hearts of purity are entirely *of* HIS substance that results in hearts of flesh that are of HIS flesh (see Ezekiel 36:26; John 6:51; 2 Corinthians 3:3, NKJV+NASB).

In order to attain this reality, we simply need to steadfastly keep **our hope** on the LORD JESUS CHRIST and, all that is promised to us in HIM, by HIS merits (see 1 John 3:3).

Hope in HIM will manifest the substance of HIS fullness. In this reality of grace manifested through substance, all things promised by GOD

become possible to us. AMEN! The possibilities are of the stature of GOD's faith (and love)! That's why it is called amazing grace (see Ephesians 1:6; Revelation 21:11,9-11)!

In and according to the status of the substance formed in us, we can move mountains in line with the Witness of JESUS CHRIST opened to us in Mark 11:23 < **Truly I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, "Be taken up and cast into the sea," and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that what he says is going to happen, it shall be granted him.** >

The intent of the faith of GOD, brought into us by the HOLY SPIRIT in the true and faithful Witness - the Amen of true and perfect confidence in GOD, manifested through the SON, by the HOLY SPIRIT - is proclaimed by CHRIST JESUS in the following passages of Scripture:

- Matthew 17:20c declares: < ... **And nothing will be impossible to you.** >
- John 14:12 declares: < **Truly, truly I say to you, he who believes in ME, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works that these shall he do ...** >
- John 14:13-14 declares: < **And whatever you ask in MY Name that will I do, that the FATHER may be glorified in the SON. If you ask ME anything in MY Name, I will do it.** >
- John 14:26 declares: < ... **The Helper, the HOLY SPIRIT, WHOM the FATHER will send in MY Name, HE will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I said to you.** >
- John 16:13-15 declares: < ... **When HE, the SPIRIT Of Truth comes, HE will guide you into all the truth ... HE shall glorify ME; for HE shall take of Mine, and shall disclose it to you. All things that the FATHER has are Mine; therefore I said, that HE takes of Mine, and will disclose it to you.** >

All of these passages of Scripture flow out of GOD's faith and love for us. The faith and love of GOD results in a totality defined in CHRIST JESUS

- by substance and Witness - which is made fully functional in our inward parts by the HOLY SPIRIT. AMEN!

This totality is necessarily one that develops out of a Blood Covenant relationship. A Blood Covenant relationship fashioned in substance and Witness in our inward parts!

The faith of GOD can only be actualized in a relationship that GOD has designed for us in JESUS CHRIST, and this relationship - that is designed in GOD's faith and love for us - is to be developed in us and amongst us by the HOLY SPIRIT in a living and growing Witness.

Out of this reality of the intimacy of relationship, ***having*** the faith of GOD - by substance and Witness - becomes the inherent reality for the fulfillment of GOD's plan in each one of our lives, as sons of GOD!

It is in HIS plan of faith and love - communicated in substance and Witness - that we become sons of GOD! AMEN!



Scripture References & Notes - Chapter 4

(4.1) Hebrews 11:1 defines faith and, Romans 8:20-21 talks about the FATHER subjecting the creation in hope. The faith of GOD unto us is the substance of HIS hope. The substance of the FATHER's hope is described in CHRIST JESUS, the WORD became flesh as noted in John 1:14 by the HOLY SPIRIT (Luke 1:35).

(4.2) Hebrews 1:3a, NKJV (PERSON - HUPOSTASIS) + NASB (Nature - Hupostasis) + NIV (BEING - HUPOSTASIS) reveals an awesome expression of the Greek word "hupostasis" which is translated "substance" in Hebrews 11:1, KJV+NKJV. So what we are saying is this: the substance of GOD's faith is communicated through the PERSON,

Nature and BEING of YESHUA MASHIAH. And the expression of this faith of GOD in MASHIAH YESHUA is a totality that is called YAH-WEH-TSIDKENU in Jeremiah 23:5-6. The conduit of this faith of GOD is exclusively the Testimony Of JESUS! This communication unveils the Witness that stands as "I AM the Way, the Truth and the Life!" AMEN (see Revelation 3:14b)!

(4.3) Hebrews 3:14 (NKJV), where the word "confidence" is a translation of the Greek word "hupostasis", which is translated as "substance" in Hebrews 11:1 (KJV/NKJV).

ACTUALIZING THE WITNESS OF GOD'S FAITH

We have in this book come to understand that GOD has ordained a totality in HIS own faith by which we can actually function. We can develop a reality of living, moving and having our being in HIM and by HIM - in the glory of HIS grace actualized!

GOD's grace is a reality in HIS faith communicated to us through CHRIST JESUS, by the HOLY SPIRIT. The Testimony Of JESUS is the spiritual conduit for the communication of GOD's faith.

The intent of the Testimony Of JESUS is to give actual spiritual definition and expression to the reality of living, moving and having our being in GOD!

JESUS CHRIST gave *true* expression to the faith of GOD and, the Testimony Of JESUS gives *true* definition and expression to a faith reality that will enable all of us to live, move and have our being in GOD.

[Lucifer on the other hand, received of the faith of GOD and built an altar of faith to himself and his own motives that ultimately blasphemed GOD.]

We have in this book seen that the LORD JESUS HIMSELF has told us that we can actually "***have the faith of GOD!***" And, the LORD JESUS has also told us that in this reality, **nothing will be impossible to us.**

We now understand that through the ministry of the HOLY SPIRIT, we can come to receive, realize and express, GOD ordained faith realities, which are **inherent** to GOD's Word opened to us in the Testimony Of JESUS.

The faith realities inherent to GOD's Word are communicated to us in the Spirit and Life of CHRIST JESUS!

GOD's Word communicated into us, in the Spirit and Life of JESUS CHRIST, give actual expression to the faith of GOD developed for us in the life, ministry and testimony of JESUS CHRIST. The faith of JESUS is GOD's faith made available to us in fully communicable terms.

The faith (and love) of JESUS CHRIST is GOD's provision to us.

And, several potentially phenomenal realities open to us in **the faith of JESUS CHRIST** that is fully communicable into us **by our hope on HIM and our faith in HIM!**

Several verses in the Kings James translation of the Bible describe this actuality of the faith of JESUS available to all who have received JESUS CHRIST as LORD and Saviour.

Galatians 2:16 (KJV) reads: < **Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the Law, but by the faith *of* JESUS CHRIST, even we have believed *in* JESUS CHRIST, that we might be justified by the faith *of* CHRIST, and not by the works of the Law: for by the works of the Law shall no flesh be justified.** >

This verse from the KJV is crucial to us because it mentions both the faith ***of*** JESUS CHRIST and faith ***in*** JESUS CHRIST.

This verse is describing an awesome reality to us. This verse tells us that **our** faith in JESUS CHRIST enables us to actually draw from realities expressed **in HIS faith** so that we - in all that we have realized in the actualization of **HIS** faith - are justified!

That is, we are justified by the faith **of** JESUS CHRIST that we have actualized by faith **in** HIM!

To be justified before GOD means having actual functional position before GOD in the faith **of** JESUS CHRIST realized from our faith in HIM!

By focusing on JESUS CHRIST - by faith in HIM - we have the potential of actualizing all that stands for us **in HIS faith!** And, this is the basis of grace (see Ephesians 2:8-10; John 1:16-17, NASB+NKJV+KJV). Hence the reality declared in Philippians 4:13, that we can do all things through CHRIST WHO strengthens us.

2 Peter 1:1 (NASB) confirms this reality, with the Apostle Peter proclaiming the reality of: < **those who have received a faith of the same kind as ours, by the righteousness of our GOD and Saviour, JESUS CHRIST.** >

The Apostle Paul confirms this actuality in Galatians 2:20 (KJV) by proclaiming that: < **I am crucified with CHRIST: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but CHRIST liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the SON of GOD,** WHO loved me, and gave HIMSELF for me. >

So we are being told that we can **all** receive the same kind of faith.

And, this comes only because the same kind of faith is **entirely of** JESUS CHRIST. And, this realization will enable us **all** to actually **live** and **function** by the faith **of** JESUS CHRIST!

Galatians 3:22 (KJV) reads: < **But the Scripture hath concluded all under sin, that the promise by faith of JESUS CHRIST might be given to them that believe.** >

Here we see that every promise in the Scripture is made available to us by the faith of JESUS CHRIST! So the faith of JESUS CHRIST - which is the faith of GOD made available to us through JESUS CHRIST - is the basis of the actualization of all of GOD's provision (by promise) for us.

Simply nothing - in line with GOD's Sovereign will - will be impossible to us because of the availability of the faith *of* JESUS CHRIST!

And, now we clearly understand why the Master declared that nothing will be impossible to us!

GOD has provided for us access to all that is impossible under the criteria of the Law (both in the natural and spiritual) - through the faith *of* JESUS CHRIST. And so, nothing shall be impossible to us! AMEN!

In the faith of JESUS CHRIST all that is in the Prophets - by Promise - is available to us through substance communicated.

This substance communicated is of the faith of JESUS CHRIST. And so, nothing will be impossible to us.

So, the Cross testifies and witnesses to a faith that is able to *destroy* death and, open to us possibilities *by promise* in all eternity! And, this is a reality that is of the faith of GOD - for us, in the glory of HIS grace!

The possibilities by promise arise, in the fulfillment of the Law and the Prophets, in the substance of MASHIAH YESHUA's fullness! Indeed nothing shall be impossible to us in the merits of the LAMB.

The realities that arise in the fulfillment of the Law and the Prophets are entirely of the faith of GOD that becomes a lifeline of grace upon grace to us.

The seed of GOD's faith - communicated through the seed of CHRIST - has the potential of becoming a growing and blossoming Tree Of Life in us.

So how do we pursue the reality of GOD's faith opened to us through the Spirit and Life of JESUS? How do we come to function in realities that are available to us in the faith of JESUS CHRIST?

How do we come to actualize realities in GOD's faith that unveil in the fulfillment of the Law and the Prophets?

What does Paul mean when he says that the life he now lives in the flesh he actually lives by the faith of JESUS CHRIST?

The Scripture tells us that faith is a Mystery (see 1 Timothy 3:9). The Mystery Of Faith opens to a clear conscience. Who but JESUS CHRIST had a clear conscience? And, in JESUS CHRIST - in HIS faith and love for us - this clear conscience is communicable!

Paul describes this reality in Romans 9:1 < **I am telling the truth in CHRIST, I am not lying, my conscience bearing me witness in the HOLY SPIRIT** >.

Fundamentally, **true** faith is necessarily a mystery that unfolds from GOD's heart.

Man needs true faith so that he can receive of the life of GOD. True faith is a revealed reality. Revelation is described in CHRIST JESUS and, is communicated by the HOLY SPIRIT.

We can only enter this **revealed** reality with a clear conscience that arises from a heart built in the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. The unleavened bread of sincerity and truth comes in the **substance of the Master's fullness!**

The reality of having the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth - in an increasingly clear conscience - is entirely a consequence of receiving growing measures of the substance of the Master's fullness!

The unleavened bread of sincerity and truth - testified to in a clear conscience - is a reality that stands in **revelation knowledge**.

The unleavened bread of sincerity and truth that unveils in a clear conscience, is an actual revelation of the knowledge form that MASHIAH YESHUA developed before GOD - in HIS life, ministry, crucifixion and resurrection (see Isaiah 53:11b).

The Mystery Of Faith unveils by revelation knowledge - given true definition in CHRIST JESUS. Revelation knowledge communicates the secrets of GOD into us (see Deuteronomy 29:29 and Mark 4:22).

The purpose of this revealed knowledge - defined and communicated in the faith of GOD - is to create living epistles of CHRIST, who are called servants or ministers of the New Covenant (see Exodus 31:18; 32:15-16; 2 Corinthians 3:3,6, 3-6, NKJV).

We are epistles of CHRIST - called forth as servants or ministers of the New Covenant - and, also called to be actual stewards of the Mysteries Of GOD! This reality is pointed to in 1 Corinthians 4:1, which reads: < **Let a man regard us in this manner, as servants of CHRIST, and stewards of the Mysteries Of GOD.** >

The Mystery Of CHRIST is the exclusive conduit that reveals and actualizes our stewardship of the Mysteries Of GOD (see Ephesians 3:3,4,7-10).

And our stewardship of the Mysteries of GOD will reveal an administration suitable to the fullness of the times - the summing up of all things in CHRIST JESUS (see Ephesians 1:9, 3-10 and Colossians 1:17-20).

All of this reality of an administration suitable to the fullness of the times stands entirely in the faith of GOD. The faith of GOD is communicated in the summing up of all things in CHRIST JESUS so that the fullness of CHRIST JESUS will fill all in all (see Ephesians 1:22-23 and Ephesians 4:10).

In this reality the fullness of CHRIST JESUS gives true expression to GOD's faith!

By praying in tongues - by the HOLY SPIRIT, in CHRIST JESUS - we have access to the Mysteries Of GOD (see 1 Corinthians 14:2).

Paul, who profoundly demonstrated such an access to the Mysteries Of GOD through his ministry and his writings, instructs us that praying in tongues will result in revelation, knowledge, teaching and prophecy (see 1 Corinthians 14:6).

It is because of this astonishing reality of revelation, knowledge, teaching and prophecy that he was a party to - by the HOLY SPIRIT, in CHRIST JESUS (see note 5.1) - that, Paul declares that he prayed in tongues "**more than you all**" (see 1 Corinthians 14:18).

Jude 20-21a, gives us further insight on tongues by instructing us: < **But you, beloved, building yourselves up on your most holy faith; praying in the HOLY SPIRIT** >

Here we see that tongues - manifested by the HOLY SPIRIT, **in CHRIST JESUS** (see Romans 8:2), in the Witness (see 1 John 5:10a, 7-8, NKJV and Revelation 3:14b) - open us to the reality of "**most holy faith**".

Only GOD's faith is "**most holy**"!

GOD's most holy faith is communicated through HIS WORD - entirely by the SPIRIT Of GOD!

That GOD's faith can - by the HOLY SPIRIT, in CHRIST JESUS - become "**your most holy faith**" is simply an astonishing reality!

Fundamentally, tongues are designed to reveal this reality of the **most holy** in fully functional terms through the conduits of revelation, knowledge, teaching and prophecy.

Prophecy is designed to release the faith of GOD from our hearts through our mouths. In fact, the Word Of GOD is designed to unveil from us all, in this reality (see Deuteronomy 30:14-15; Romans 10:8-11; Jeremiah 1:11-12).

Peter tells us in 1 Peter 4:11 (NKJV) that we have the potentials of becoming **the actual Oracles Of GOD** (see note 5.2)! Awesome isn't it!

And, we can actually perceive in our inward parts the reality of actual stewardship of the Mysteries Of GOD through a most holy faith.

This most holy faith is the faith of GOD perfected and completed into us by the HOLY SPIRIT **through the substance of CHRIST JESUS Fullness!** John 1:16 reads: < **For of HIS Fullness we have all received, and grace upon grace.** >

The substance of CHRIST JESUS Fullness is described in prophetic terms as the Bread Of The Holy and the Bread Of The Most Holy in Leviticus 21:22. Leviticus 21:22 reads: < **He may eat of the Bread of HIS GOD, both of the Most Holy and the Holy.** >

It is in the realization of the Bread Of The Holy and the Bread Of The Most Holy - by substance communicated - that we come to possess a growing witness in the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

The unleavened bread of sincerity and truth in turn results in us having a confidence that will result in mountains of impossibility being moved!

It is crucial to understand that the confidence is not of the flesh of man but is **entirely** of the flesh of the SON Of MAN (see John 6:53, 51-53)!

The eating of the Bread is described prophetically by the Prophet Jeremiah (in Jeremiah 15:16): < **THY Words were found and I ate them, and THY Words became for me a joy and the delight of my heart; for I have been called by THY Name, O LORD GOD Of Hosts.** >

Against this prophetic background, the Master proclaims that man has the potential of actually living by every Rhema Word that proceeds out of the Mouth of GOD (see Matthew 4:4).

That man can actually live by every Rhema Word that actually proceeds from the mouth of GOD is simply astonishing. Obviously this is a reality that stands in the faith and love of GOD!

Our biggest hindrance to hearing and receiving from GOD is our carnal nature and carnal mindset. The Scripture speaks clearly that we must be renewed in the spirit of our mind (see Ephesians 4:23, 22-24).

Tongues are a **spiritual tool**, by which, GOD enables us to side step the hindrances of our carnal mind that has been built out of the spirit of the world.

Tongues facilitate the realities of the Mysteries Of GOD or the secret things of GOD into our being (see Deuteronomy 29:29) - through the conduit of a most holy faith.

Isaiah 28:9 tells us that GOD has the intent of teaching us: < **To whom would HE teach knowledge? And to whom would HE interpret the message? ...** >

Isaiah 54:13-14a proclaims an awesome reality that stands in the faith of GOD: < **And all your sons will be taught of the LORD; and the wellbeing of your sons will be great. In righteousness you will be established ...** >

Zephaniah 3:9 (KJV) declares: < **For then I will turn to the people a pure language, that they may all call upon the Name of the LORD, to serve HIM with one consent.** > The NASB talks of GOD giving to the people purified lips.

GOD is talking of pure language, manifested from purified lips as a consequence of the **realization** of a most holy faith!

Our LORD JESUS CHRIST reinforces this actuality in John 6:45. The LORD JESUS declares: < **It is written in the Prophets, "And they shall all be taught of GOD." Everyone who has heard and learned from the FATHER comes to ME.** >

The fundamental purpose of tongues is to communicate knowledge and the on-line message of GOD into us (see Isaiah 28:9) in a most holy faith. This communication will result in a flow of revelation, knowledge, teaching and prophecy into us and through us (see 1 Corinthians 14:6). Enabling us to function as the Oracles of GOD!

The result of all this will be a greater intimacy with JESUS CHRIST (see John 6:45 and Proverbs 9:10b)!

Isaiah 28:11 prophecies that this reality will come through tongues: < **Indeed HE will speak to this people through stammering lips and a foreign tongue.** >

What an absurd prophecy! Totally out of sync with the human intellect. How on earth can you teach someone in a tongue that he does not understand!

But, GOD is speaking of a reality - communicated in the substance of CHRIST JESUS fullness - in which we can potentially be *entirely* taught by GOD. And, GOD is speaking of communication that is described as "spirit upon spirit" in 1 Corinthians 2:12-13, 9-13.

This is the work of the HOLY SPIRIT WHO is charged with revealing the depths of GOD and manifesting that which man cannot know in and of his own self (see 1 Corinthians 2:9-10,12 and John 16:13-15).

The right evidence of such a process being brought into place in us is however, *not* merely how much we speak in tongues, but in how much of CHRIST is being formed in us (see Galatians 4:19; 2:20, KJV and, John 6:45). We must *never* let the gift replace the giver (see Ephesians 4:7-10).

The purpose of the gift in tongues is to realize the fullness of CHRIST JESUS that stands in what is prophetically addressed as the Mystery Of CHRIST (see Ephesians 3:3,4,7-10).

HE must fill all *in* all - in us, *amongst* us and *through* us (see Ephesians 1:22c-23; 4:10 and, Colossians 1:17-18,19-20). This is what the Church

is responsible for. The communication of the fullness of HIM WHO is to fill all in all! The faith of GOD is designed to bring this to fulfillment in us and amongst us as the Body Of CHRIST across the world and in the heavenly places - both Jew and Gentile, male and female! AMEN!

Praying in tongues results in two fundamental realities - **knowledge** and the **message** (see Isaiah 28:9) - that are described and developed in the Word Of GOD.

Knowledge describes the abiding and eternal realities of the Word Of GOD that go to form a heart of flesh in us. This is the Covenant Word of GOD.

The Covenant Word of GOD is fashioned and formed in the substance of the fullness of CHRIST JESUS (see note 5.3) - the Bread Of The Holy (see note 5.4) and the Bread Of The Most Holy (see note 5.5).

This abiding Covenant Word of GOD is the actualization of the knowledge of the HOLY ONE that justifies us. Isaiah 53:11b reads: < **By HIS knowledge the RIGHTEOUS ONE, MY Servant, will justify the many ...** > This knowledge form is part of the Mystery Of CHRIST that tongues are designed to reveal.

The message describes the spontaneous, **functional Word Of GOD** that comes by a flow of thoughts or words, a silent voice, a spoken voice, pictorial thought flows via visions and dreams, spiritual impressions etc that are discerned together with the spiritual backdrop of our inward spiritual senses.

Our inward spiritual senses are built out of the Logos Word Of Righteousness (see Hebrews 5:13-14 and see also note 5.6).

The message enables the spontaneous operation of the gifts of the HOLY SPIRIT.

But, the message also unveils teaching, preaching, praying, worship, prophecy etc through the Witness that GOD is building and developing in all of us.

The message must flow in a witness in us (see Deuteronomy 30:14-15 and 1 John 5:10a) that objectively chooses to glory in JESUS CHRIST and, has no confidence in the fallen flesh of man (see Philippians 3:3).

The knowledge that forms the Covenant heart of flesh determines the quality of the "message flow" in our witness in conscious, sub-conscious and unconscious terms.

So tongues are designed to be the *spiritual tool* by which we can pursue the reality of being made entirely functional by GOD - in CHRIST JESUS, by the HOLY SPIRIT! AMEN (see Revelation 3:14b and 1 John 5:10a, 7-8, NKJV)!

In fundamental terms, we should function in tongues to receive of the knowledge form of the Word Of GOD that needs to be explained to us by the HOLY SPIRIT, through the conduits of the Spirit and Life of CHRIST JESUS.

Seemingly simple words like love, faith, knowledge, understanding, wisdom, righteousness, holiness, truth, good, power, authority etc have realities in the "I AM" of GOD - opened to us in MASHIAH YESHUA - that are actually infinitely beyond what the languages of man impute to them (see Isaiah 55:8-9 and 1 Corinthians 2:9, 9-14)!

These words form the building blocks that give expression to Scriptural realities described as: the Mystery Of The Gospel, the Mystery Of Faith, the Mystery Of Godliness, the Mystery of GOD's Will, the Mysteries Of The Kingdom, the Mystery Of CHRIST and stewardship of the Mysteries Of GOD!

1 Corinthians 2:9 describes such a reality in these terms: < ... **"Things which eye has not seen and ear has not heard, and which have not entered the heart of man, all that GOD has prepared for those who love HIM"** >

The Word Of GOD tells us that GOD is watching over HIS Word so that HE can perform it (see Jeremiah 1:11-12).

When individual words are put together in verses of Scripture, we see that many passages of Scripture carry a spiritual universe of reality that have the potential of actual performance - in the potentials and actualities of the faith and love of GOD HIMSELF! AMEN (see Revelation 3:14b and 1 John 5:10a, 7-8, NKJV)!

All these **require** the gift of tongues to actualize.

This is why Paul (in 1 Corinthians 14:21) quotes Isaiah 28:11 from a peculiar perspective as: < **in the Law it is written** >!

In what way is Isaiah 28:11 "in the Law"?

In what way is speaking in tongues "in the Law"?

Through a Law Of Faith that **establishes** the Law Of GOD (see Romans 3:27c, 19-27,31) in the substance of CHRIST JESUS Nature, Character and Testimony!

How does the Law Of Faith **establish** the Law Of GOD? Through **actual** communication of the **substance** of the fullness of JESUS CHRIST into us!

The substance of the fullness of CHRIST JESUS fulfills the Law and the Prophets through HIS faith and love expressed for man through the Cross (see Matthew 5:17-18).

Faith establishes the Law by being able to communicate - through substance - the Nature and Character of JESUS CHRIST (specifically HIS Love exercised through the Cross) that fulfilled the Law (see Mark 12:28-33).

[We can also see how tongues facilitate the actualization of the fulfillment of the Law and the Prophets from this sequence of Scripture: Exodus 31:18; 32:15-16; 2 Corinthians 3:3, NKJV+NASB; Jeremiah 31:31-34; Hebrews 10:15-17.]

Tongues facilitate the revelations that stand in the Mystery Of CHRIST, through the communication of the Mystery Of Faith supernaturally. All this is in substance so that nothing will be impossible to us.

For nothing to be impossible to us, **we must ensure that the substance is entirely of CHRIST**. We do this by *fixing* our hope on CHRIST JESUS - without wavering.

1 John 3:3 reads: < **And everyone who has this hope *fixed* on HIM purifies himself, just as HE is pure.** >

We exercise our tongues in this unwavering hope in MASHIAH YESHUA (see Romans 5:5, 1-5) that anchors our soul behind the veil in realities that open the Mysteries of the Kingdom into us (see Hebrews 6:19-20; 7:22,28 and Matthew 13:11,16-17,23).

Hope in CHRIST JESUS will produce the substance that is of HIM. And, potentially nothing shall be impossible to us! AMEN!



Scripture References & Notes - Chapter 5

(5.1) Romans 9:1 points to the reality of functioning by the HOLY SPIRIT, in CHRIST JESUS: < **I am telling the truth in CHRIST, I am not lying, my conscience bearing me witness in the HOLY SPIRIT** >.

(5.2) 1 Peter 4:11 (KJV) reads: < **If any man speak, let him speak as the Oracles of GOD** >. The NASB uses the phrase: < **the Utterances of GOD** >.

(5.3) John 1:16-17 (NASB) reads: < **For of HIS fullness we have all received, and grace upon grace. For the Law was given through Moses; grace and truth were realized through JESUS CHRIST.** >

(5.4) Called the Bread Of The Presence in Exodus 25:30 (NASB).

(5.5) Called the "Hidden Manna" in Revelation 2:17 which is the Bread Of The Most Holy (see Hebrews 9:4) that communicates the substantive realities of the Name Of GOD (see 2 Samuel 6:2). This is the highest reality that the LORD JESUS CHRIST came to fulfill (see John 17:6a,26c,26; 6:51,48-51). This fulfillment is entirely of the substance of MASHIAH YESHUA's fullness that communicates the Bread Of The Most Holy.

(5.6) Notice the mention of milk in Hebrews 5:13 as in Isaiah 28:9! So the Word Of Righteousness that builds our inward spiritual senses is laid into us line upon line, precept upon precept, a little here a little there (see Isaiah 28:10-11). Tongues facilitate this process - supernaturally!

LESSONS ON FAITH

GONE WRONG

Can faith go wrong? Yes, in tragic fashion! The testimony of Lucifer is a tragedy of perfect giftings and anointings ruined by a faith reality gone wrong. How did Lucifer develop a perverted faith reality that blasphemed GOD?

There are lessons to be learned and understood from this tragedy, for the wellbeing of each one of us called to be sons of the MOST HIGH - both male and female (see Galatians 3:26-28).

This chapter is written as a warning, especially to those of us who are in front-line ministry, holding positions of responsibility in the Body of CHRIST.

Lucifer not only destroyed his own life but he also destroyed the lives of millions of angels who were called forth as sons of GOD - in GOD's faith and love expressed over their lives.

The spheres of influence that Lucifers giftings and anointings produced through the exercise of his faith realities, became a spiritual force field of deception that corrupted and destroyed the lives of so many called forth - **by the faith and love of GOD** - to stand in the high places of GOD's universe!

We too are called forth by the faith and love of GOD to stand in heavenly places (see Ephesians 1:3-10 and 3:8c-10).

From what happened to Lucifer and his angels, we must understand that our **high** positions - in this reality of GOD's faith and love for us - must **necessarily** (and entirely) **be defined in** CHRIST JESUS (see Ephesians 1:3-10 and 3:8c-10).

And, this is **entirely possible** because of the possibility of us each receiving and realizing of the **actual substance** of the Master's fullness!

The **actuality** of the **substance** of CHRIST JESUS fullness is what defines **all realities in truth** within us and amongst us!

Scripture declares that HIS Fullness is to fill all-in-all (see Ephesians 1:22-23). Scripture declares that it is the FATHER's will for **all** the fullness to dwell in CHRIST JESUS (see Colossians 1:19).

To stand in heavenly places we must be entirely knitted together, by the HOLY SPIRIT, in the substance of the faith and love of JESUS CHRIST. The substance of the faith and love of JESUS CHRIST, that communicates HIS Fullness, so that we will be entirely enabled in HIM, in a conviction and confidence that knows and understands HIM as LORD.

Our free will functional response must be built - in substance and witness - entirely in CHRIST JESUS, so that HE becomes to us in fully functional terms the Way, the Truth and the Life.

In this reality of HIM being the Way, the Truth and the Life, HE will also become to us the BELOVED! HIS love actualized in our nature and character will keep **our** faith **true**. And, this actuality of all that is **true** will be exclusively of HIS substance!

Lucifer's faith went wrong because he did not love GOD.

As we'll see, his every perversion of every good thing bestowed and every perfect gift - given to him in GOD's faith (and love) for him - came about because he did not love GOD.

Because he did not choose to always reciprocate GOD's love he failed to see GOD's blessings in the right perspective.

Because he did not pursue the reality of loving GOD, his thought processes became a growing perversion.

Ultimately, because he did not love GOD he could not see the absolute need for GOD in his life.

This chapter is written so that we will clearly understand what was wrong with Lucifer's great faith?

Lucifer was appointed to very high position. He was called Star Of The Morning and Son Of The Dawn in Isaiah 14:12b. These are prophetic titles of very high position before GOD. Does this have any parallels for us? Yes it does!

2 Peter 1:19 describes similar prophetic realities being opened to us as sons of GOD: < **And so we have the prophetic Word made more sure, to which you do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns (which, tells us that we are in prophetic terms sons of the dawn) and the morning star arises in your hearts (which tells us that we are in prophetic terms morning stars).** >

GOD's faith described and revealed in the prophetic Word has very high purpose for us. And, for this high purpose to come forth, we are to be entirely created and fashioned in the image and fullness of JESUS CHRIST, the Bright Morning Star (see Revelation 22:16; John 1:16-17, KJV/NKJV/NASB and Ephesians 2:10).

As we discuss Lucifer's testament, we will come to understand that conformance to CHRIST JESUS and making ourselves subject to the Lordship of JESUS CHRIST by seeing HIM as our Lord and Husband, are absolutely non-negotiable realities for every one of us.

We have to understand this in the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth that unveils in a clear conscience and gives expression to a true faith **always subject** to the supremacy of GOD MOST HIGH.

And, this realization of **HIS necessary preeminence** must come about in our hearts, in our own free will. Hence the necessity of understanding by faith - fashioned in truth through the substance of the Master's fullness - that all things we will achieve in the eternal future, are **entirely based** on the price JESUS CHRIST paid for us through HIS sacrifice.

Our achievements - in and by and through GOD - will never be because we paid the price!

That which comes forth in the faith of GOD is entirely a reality described in grace upon grace, through the fullness of CHRIST JESUS actualized **by substance** and **Witness** in our inward parts! When we exercise our witness in substance, we are functioning in a spiritual actuality that is a living expression of **grace upon grace**.

HIS faith opens to us as grace upon grace for all things realized in truth!

The substance is HIS and, the witness is HIS - both freely given to us in HIS love expressed in the finished work of the Cross!

We can never pay the price for the true and faithful Witness, the Beginning of the creation of GOD (see Revelation 3:14b and Ephesians 2:10), that is described exclusively in Blood, Water and Spirit (see 1 John 5:8,7-8,10a, NKJV. See also John 19:30,34.). This Witness is entirely and exclusively the Witness of the Cross.

We need to understand this clearly!

The prophetic titles of Star Of The Morning and Son Of The Dawn **given** to Lucifer by GOD, describe a position for Lucifer that was probably foremost amongst the angels. Ezekiel 28:14a, describes him as the **"anointed cherub who covers"**.

GOD begins Isaiah 14:12, by declaring: < **How you have fallen from heaven.** > He must have fallen from very, very high position for GOD to make this statement.

And, we must understand why he fell.

The following declarations by Lucifer tell us why he fell. Each of these declarations is an expression of a very great faith. But, each of these declarations is also descriptive of a **pervverted** faith form that is entirely **false**.

Lucifer deceived himself. He developed illusions of grandeur based on a set of **self-beliefs** that were patently false.

Lucifer came to objectively reject GOD and ultimately even saw himself as an actual replacement for GOD!

Lucifer understood faith as an open-ended reality of potential **self-achievement**, in which, he could become anything **he wanted to be**.

Lucifer refused to be governed by GOD's high plan and purpose for his life. And, this refusal came out of a faith form that believed in himself and, what he could be in and of himself, even as he analyzed "the facts".

[Eve too analyzed "the apple" and "saw" that it was "good"! Adam agreed with the analysis! And in so much of our scholarship we continue to analyze the apple! And in spite of our history, we continue to intelligently proclaim our own brilliance!]

Lucifer objectively decided that he could make for himself a far greater future than **anything GOD could possibly give him!** Lucifer had analyzed GOD and found GOD wanting!!! So do many 'intelligent people' in the human race.

In Isaiah 14:13, GOD tells us that Lucifer fell in his heart: < **But you said in your heart** >. The following statements (from Isaiah 14:13-14) are

"great and powerful" - but entirely false - faith expressions that Lucifer developed and actualized (as an evidence of his greatness) in his inward parts:

- **"I will ascend to heaven".** Lucifer was entirely convinced that his destiny was entirely in his hand. He knew this by fact of his faith evidenced in his own understanding of course! He knew that his ascent was entirely in and of himself.

He had absolutely no need for GOD. He did not need GOD's approval, neither did he need GOD's provision and guidance.

Lucifer was a law unto himself. Lucifer had birthed and developed a faith form that was a total expression of lawlessness (see Matthew 7:21-23; 2 Thessalonians 2:7-12 and Exodus 20:3).

He had developed a reality that was entirely based on what he knew and understood in and of himself.

He rejected the realities that derived from the faith of GOD expressed prophetically over his life.

What he perceived in and of himself was true to him. He didn't need to be taught by GOD.

- **"I will raise my throne above the stars of GOD".** Lucifer was entirely convinced that the throne GOD had put him on (see note 6.1) was his own. He was no longer steward, he was entirely convinced he was owner (see note 6.2).

Lucifer was entirely convinced that he had paid the price for his position (see note 6.3) in the heavenly places and therefore he was also entirely entitled to raise his throne to whatever height he could desire and achieve.

Lucifer was entirely convinced - in himself - that he was better than, and superior to, everyone else. He had great ambition backed with a great faith in himself and his destiny.

GOD's prophetic titles of Star Of The Morning and Son Of The Dawn bestowed by grace upon him were reinterpreted in the knowledge of a faith form developed in **his own understanding** (see note 6.4).

[Now this is why the Scriptures define understanding as a faith reality that **entirely derives from knowing** the HOLY ONE (see note 6.5)!

True faith is **entirely** the product of an intimacy with the HOLY ONE, WHO must be both LORD and BELOVED to us.

This is why our high position in the Kingdom Of GOD flows entirely out of a Marriage Covenant Union with the LAMB!]

- **"I will sit on the Mount Of Assembly"**. Lucifer's thinking was developed in such a manner that no sanction by GOD was needed for his position in the Mount Of Assembly.

In Ezekiel 28:17, GOD explains the thinking of Lucifer: < **Your heart was lifted up because of your beauty; you corrupted your wisdom by reason of your splendour.** > In Ezekiel 28:16b, GOD tells us that ambition had taken its toll on Lucifer: < **you were internally filled with violence, and you sinned** >.

Ambition and competition always drive out the "shalom" of GOD. Where "shalom" is peace with wellbeing. And this is a state of being that **entirely derives from** YAHWEH-SHALOM.

- **"I will make myself like the MOST HIGH"**. The final clincher to Lucifer's faith form is that he is now absolutely convinced that he is now able to **make himself** like the MOST HIGH! Talk about faith and unshakeable confidence that moves mountains!

This **fool** is now convinced he is able to move GOD out of HIS Sovereign position! Talk about deception! Talk about moving mountains. **Dear Lucy was ready to move the Mountain Of GOD - by faith!!!** Incredible!

Lucifer's faith and belief system was ready to dispute the inherent status of GOD HIMSELF. Using himself as a point of reference, Lucifer was ready to question what made GOD, GOD!

We need to remind ourselves that we have seen small "gods" of sundry shapes and sizes all over human history. And, we've even seen them in the institutional Church as well in many different forms through out history.

What do we need to understand from Lucifer's testimony?

True faith is necessarily always subject to GOD's will, communicated in HIS faith and love for us.

True faith must find expression in and by and through GOD's Sovereign Word revealed exclusively in HIS will and purpose!

Our faith must always believe that GOD IS and that HE - in HIS absolute Sovereignty - is a rewarder of those who seek HIM. True faith receives from GOD - grace upon grace - in the merits of the LAMB!

Faith must of necessity know that GOD is Supreme. And, faith must always be premised on the absolute supremacy of GOD and on the fact that GOD alone is the Provider and the Justifier.

Faith must always flow in the reality of WHO GOD IS and all THAT GOD IS.

True faith is necessarily defined in the Testimony Of JESUS and must be expressed by us in the Name Of JESUS, through HIS Witness - of Blood, Water and Spirit - made alive in us in fully functional terms by the HOLY SPIRIT.

Only the true and faithful Witness can enable us to function in true faith. Faith simply can never be - and must never be - an open ended reality that the creation utilizes in its own whims and fancies. Faith exercised in an open ended manner will always lead to rebellion. Because faith exercised independent of GOD is presumption and rebellion.

Faith has the potentials of being a powerful conduit of an eternal and everlasting flow of blessings. However, such a reality of faith stands entirely under a canopy of grace upon grace.

Such a reality of faith will never exist in a "by merit, I am superior" sort of system of thought.

True faith flows in a reality designed by GOD to give true expression to *HIS* grace.

Always remember that by the grace of GOD, our faith in HIM is rewarded in a growing continuity of life eternal.

May you be truly blessed as you discover realities that stand in the faith of GOD over your life. May you truly become a blessing as you discover how to flow in the faith of GOD - by the HOLY SPIRIT, in the substance and Witness of the fullness of CHRIST JESUS. AMEN!



Scripture References & Notes - Chapter 6

(6.1) In Ezekiel 28:14a GOD declares: < **And I placed you there** >.

(6.2) GOD describes HIMSELF as the sole Owner and Possessor of the creation by calling HIMSELF GOD MOST HIGH - EL ELYON. See Genesis 14:18-19.

(6.3) The word price always implies actual ownership once the price is paid. In GOD's universe we can only be stewards of HIS riches. HE is by Name - YHWH ELYON - always the Owner and Possessor of the universe.

(6.4) True faith understands in a knowing that is of the HOLY ONE - a knowledge form that derives entirely from the MOST HIGH. See Hebrews 11:3a; Proverbs 9:10a and, Isaiah 53:11b.

(6.5) You can see this by combining Hebrews 11:3a with Proverbs 9:10b.



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